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Kowloon...	...Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.29	7.10
Yaumati...	...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin ...	...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.38	4.56	5.51	7.31
Taipo ...	...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanling ...	...Dep.	7.32	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.24	6.19	7.58
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.36	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.28	6.23	8.02
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.29	8.08
Shumchun	...Dep.	7.21	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.08
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.28	8.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15
Fanling ...	...Dep.	7.32	8.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.42	8.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29
Taipo ...	...Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33
Shatin ...	...Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	6.46
Yaumati...	...Dep.	8.12	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	6.58
Kowloon...	...Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06

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THE 'VARSITY BOAT RACE.

MEMORIES OF BYGONE DAYS.

The Oxford and Cambridge boat race takes place to-day, and Britons in the Far East look forward eagerly to the result. Little information has come through from England regarding the trials, so that few people, excepting those who receive private wires from Home, really know how the crews shape.

The first recorded race between the two 'Varsities took place at Henley in 1829 and resulted in a win for Cambridge. It was in 1864 that the Putney to Mortlake course (4¼ miles) was first adopted, and it was about this time that the race became an event of national importance. The crews have fought almost continuously since then, missing only the four years of war when they were engaged in more serious work than rowing. In 1905 an interesting race was rowed over the course between Cambridge and Harvard, Cambridge winning by two lengths in the excellent time of 19 mins. 18 secs.

One of the most interesting races was that of 1912. The water was extremely rough and both boats were swamped before the course was completed. The race was rowed again on the following Monday, when Oxford won comfortably by six lengths in 22 mins. 5 secs. The best time on record is that of 1911, when Oxford won from Cambridge in 18 mins. 29 secs.

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Oxford have always had certain advantages over Cambridge in the matter of training. Their river is straighter and wider, whereas the Cam is a narrow curling sluggish stream, very discouraging for serious training purposes.

In fact, at the "trial eights" at the end of the October term it is necessary for Cambridge to go to Ely in order to get a decent course. They not infrequently put in a longer time on the rough tidal waters of Putney than Oxford do. Both crews, however, always finish their training at Putney, usually taking a fortnight or three weeks. Perhaps the greatest advantage Oxford have has been the strong tendency for Eton rowing men to go there in preference to Cambridge, and Oxford has developed a uniform style of rowing following in all colleges, which naturally makes it much easier to fit together in a boat eight men taken from all over the 'Varsity. In Cambridge, at any rate 20 years ago, there was a very distinct difference between the styles of the different colleges; First Trinity Hall, Third Trinity, Pembroke, Caius were all given to following ideas of their own. Nevertheless, at the end of 76 races, Oxford is only five ahead of Cambridge.

THE RUN OF LUCK.

It is curious in looking back on the old records to see how the luck seems to have followed first one 'varsity and then the other. For instance, in the '60's Oxford won nine consecutive times. Then the famous Goldie, after whom the 'Varsity Boat House at Cambridge has been called, stroked the Light Blues to victory five years in succession. Again in the '80's Cambridge had a succession of four wins. Oxford seemed to have lost the art of rowing, and "Rudy" Lehmann, who, although he never got his "Blue" was, perhaps, the finest coach ever known, went over from Cambridge to Oxford and brought them back success. The same compliment was paid at the end of the '90's, only in the reverse way, when Fletcher came over from Oxford and taught Cambridge the art which they seemed to have lost, with very satisfactory results. This was in the days when the Hon. Dudley Ward was president of the C.U.B.C., following a period of very unhappy dissensions in the rowing world at Cambridge.

FAMOUS STROKES.

Gold was the Oxford stroke in those days, and he was also one of the famous strokes of history, with four consecutive wins to his credit.

Another very famous stroke was Douglas Stewart, who four times stroked Cambridge to victory against Oxford and once against Harvard.

Stewart was a left handed stroke and could stroke better from bow side than stroke side. This was before the days of the centre seat, and Cambridge, after much deliberation decided to build a boat especially to suit him. Everything was the opposite way round: Stewart stroked from the bow side whilst bow oar rowed on the stroke side. Nos. 7, 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1 all stroked on the opposite side to a normal boat. The experiment proved eminently successful, as Stewart twice stroked the same type of boat to victory.

Since the resumption of the race after the war the results are as follows:—

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1921 Cambridge, 1 length.
1922 Cambridge, 4½ lengths.
1923 Oxford, ¾ length
1924 Cambridge, 4½ lengths

Outside of horse-racing, there is no athletic event in the year which attracts so much attention as the Oxford and Cambridge boat race, and as a rule the prophets and betting on the race are very seldom found to be inaccurate. This actually happened last year, however, when Oxford entered the race as favourites, but were beaten fairly easily by Cambridge.

THE BOAT RACE AND THE FAR EAST.

The Far East has much for which to thank the 'varsities in the way of rowing talent. One of the most popular rowing men in Shanghai was Bathos Walker, who was at one time tried for Oxford as cox. He only failed to get his Blue because he could not bring down his weight, but during the training at Putney he was *used to coach the man who actually coxed* the boat, in his business. Besides doing a great deal for the Shanghai Rowing Club it was really to him that was due the formation of the Oxford-Cambridge Society. The first president, Sir Havilland de Sausmarez was also a rowing man when at Cambridge, who did much for rowing in the Far East.—*N. C. Daily News.*

A distinguished cavalry officer was sitting at lunch opposite a little girl whose eyes were rivetted on his face every time he raised his glass to his lips. Finally, unable to restrain herself any longer, she turned to her mother and exclaimed, "Mummy, why did you say that Colonel —— drinks like a fish? He doesn't."

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, in their weekly share report, dated March 27th, say:—

The March Settlement which was a particularly heavy one was satisfactorily negotiated on the 24th instant. Since then there has been another smart advance in prices and practically the whole market has strengthened, which is a clear indication of the easy state of the money market.

Cable advices from Shanghai shew that their market is also very active and with the exception of Cotton shares, many stocks have improved. Spot rubber is up to 1/8¼, and shares are in strong demand.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled very steady with sales made at $1,230. The London rate is £139 (middle).

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Both Cantons and Unions are in demand at quotations. Yangtszes are also strong at $42½, with no sellers in evidence. Underwriters have small buyers at $3. China Fires are unchanged at $195. A few Hongkong Fires are offering at $700.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboats have firmed up to $37 but are offering at that rate. Numerous sales have been made between $35½ and $37. "Star" Ferries have further strengthened, with business done up to $90. Douglas Steamships are dull at $58. Tugs and Lighters are offering at $4.70.

Refineries.—China Sugars weakened to $80, but there is some inclination to buy forward on this basis. Malabons have strengthened to $41.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats (combined) shew a further rise, with sales made to Shanghai at Tls. 26 and Tls. 26½. The "Singles" have improved to Tls. 12½ and Explorations to Tls. 8. Shells are lower in London, being quoted at 85/9d.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong & Whampoa Docks had a considerable set-back in the early part of the week and were sold down to $116, but have since had a smart recovery, and close at $127. Shanghai Docks have further improved to a buying rate of Tls. 198½. New Engineerings were sold at Tls. 9.30/9.50. Kowloon Wharves shew a good advance on last week's price, being now in demand at $198. Hongkew Wharves have improved to Tls. 203.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been in strong favour and have been bought up to $96. Humphreys Estates continue in demand at $20½. Shanghai Lands, according to latest advices from the North, are quoted at Tls. 125 buyers, ex dividend. Hongkong Hotels are offering at $16½ after sales. Realties have buyers at $4.50.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Electrics have further strengthened and close with buyers at $67. China Lights shew a smart improvement to $30, closing easier. The old shares have buyers at $24 and the new (on which a further call of $1 has been paid) are quoted at $18½. Hongkong Tramways have been again in strong request and have advanced to $38½.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been the medium of a large business both for cash and forward. The market closes with buyers at $30. Dairy Farms are in request and can be placed at $27½. China Providents are being enquired for, especially the new shares, which have advanced to $9. The "combined" have been sold at $38½ and the old at $16½. Hongkong Ropes are weak with sellers at $50. Peak Tramways are offering at $23 and the new have buyers at $8. Watsons have sellers at $22½ and the new are steady at $15. Constructions have again weakened and have sellers at $6.

Forward Settlement Days.—April 28th (Tuesday), May 26th (Tuesday), June 23rd (Tuesday) and July 28th (Tuesday).

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London to-day is 2/3⅛ and on Shanghai 73⅝.

"TSARIST ROUBLES" IN CHINA.

"QUITE VALUELESS SCRAPS OF PAPER."

The *Renta* correspondent at Peking learns in the Embassy of the U.S.S.R. that "enquiries have been coming in lately about the so-called Tsarist roubles, a certain amount of which have been kept by some Chinese merchants. It has come to the knowledge of the Embassy that there are unconscientious people who are misleading Chinese commercial circles in this matter and are speculating in those quite valueless scraps of paper. It was declared at the Embassy of the U.S.S.R. that, as the Embassy had stated on many previous occasions, the paper money issued under the Tsarist régime, as well as that issued by Kerensky's Government, have now lost all value and are no longer in circulation in the Union of Soviet Republics. The question of those bills will not be discussed at the pending Soviet-Chinese Conference, so that no speculation in that paper money could possibly bring any profit to those engaged in same."

RUBBER DIVIDENDS.

Kamusan Rubber Co., Ltd.—10 per cent. final dividend (making 15 per cent.) a/c. year ending 31st December, 1924.

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Dated at Hongkong, this 21st day of March, 1925.

(Signed) JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
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COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors to be presented at the third ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders is as follows:—

Gentlemen,—Your Directors herewith submit a statement of accounts and balance sheet for the year ended on December 31st, 1924.

After writing off $42,044.68 for depreciation, which is charged in the working account, the profit and loss acount, so far as it relates to contracts completed during the year, shows a credit balance of $117,955.70. Unfortunately, there are serious deficiencies on certain works in progress now nearing completion, and, in view of the great difficulty in estimating the final outcome of the contracts in question, your Directors have deemed it necessary to make provision for net losses on works in progress to the extent of $250,000, which amount is debited to the profit and loss account, and deducted from the cost of works in progress, as shown in the balance sheet.

In addition to this it is proposed to write off preliminary expenses ($3,278.53), underwriting commission ($9,000) and goodwill ($4,500), making in all a further debit of $16,778.53 to the year's account.

The result of this is to leave a debit balance for the year 1924 of $148,822.83 to which must be added the debit balance brought forward from 1923, amounting to $34,737.41, making a total adverse balance to December 31st, 1924, of $183,560.24 which it is proposed to carry forward to next year.

Directors.—The Rev. Father Souvey resigned from the Board on November 22nd, last, owing to ill-health, and the Very Rev. Father L. Robert was appointed to fill the vacancy. This appointment requires confirmation by the shareholders.

Dr. J. W. Noble and the Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts for the year have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Accountants, who, being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

ROBT. SHEWAN,
Chairman.

Hongkong, March 26th, 1925.

FINANCIAL SAYINGS.

Intelligent control is essential to minimise the extent of the booms and depressions, which are an industrial curse.—*Sir Josiah Stamp.*

The imperative demand of to-day is the adoption of the co-partnership principle in the mining industry.—*Dr. Charles Carpenter* (South Metropolitan Gas Company).

There is much talk about speeding up electrical development; it would be much better for the country if the politicians would cease from interfering and allow the companies to get on with their business.—*Mr. A. C. Lupton* (Yorkshire Electric Power Company).

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SEDITIOUS SIKH PAPER.

INDIAN CHARGED AT SHANGHAI.

Evidence of virulent anti-British propaganda was given at H. M. Police Court, Shanghai, on March 23rd, when Gujjan Singh, a Sikh schoolmaster and teacher of English, appeared on remand, charged with having in his possession a newspaper containing seditious matter.

Asked if he had legal assistance accused answered that he did not want to defend himself.

Mr. E. T. Maitland prosecuted, and an interpreter produced translations from the newspaper in question, the "*Hind Jagawa*" ("Awakening of India"), found at a house occupied by the accused in Chapei, together with a printing machine.

The following appeared in a copy of the newspaper dated March 21st:

"Please listen to my advice carefully. I announce it among Indians. How have the British robbed and ruined the country! Everybody knows the grandmother of the devil. The British have made dissension between Hindus and Mohammedans. These sinners are doing satanic work. Everyone has lost his religion in India. Mohammedans are abandoning their religious customs. They have taken possession of Mecca against the old customs. Indians are cutting the throats of Indians on account of greed. Everyone knows the unjust treatment upon the Sikh community. The Congress, the Khalifat Committee, the Hindu Sabha, Turkey, Kabul, Khandahar, Arabia, China, and France are all encouraging us. If the Sikhs do not win all India will suffer. Let us unite and drive off the infidels."

An article in another number of the paper spoke of "English injustice and robbery" in India, saying that the people were being destroyed by conversion to Christianity. "They are very cunning (these English)," said the writer. "Their words are sweet and their hearts are poisonous, like the snake. They are ruining us with our own money. They have taken the cream and have left us the buttermilk. Do not have any confidence in them. You cannot obtain any benefit from the sons of the devil."

Mr. W. Beatty, acting Commissioner of Police in charge of the Sikhs, produced a copy of the Punjab Police Abstract of Intelligence, showing that the "*Hind Jagawa*" was proscribed in India and its circulation prohibited.

Accused asked for a further remand in order that he might make a written statement, and Mr. Maitland opposed bail, saying that the accused made an objectionable speech in the Gurdwara on March 22nd, and the police anticipated trouble if he were now released.

The Magistrate held that a *prima facie* case had been made out in respect to the paper dated the 21st instant (from which the first quotation is given), and remanded accused in custody until the following day (March 24th.)

There was again a big crowd of black-turbaned Sikhs present, and at the conclusion of the proceedings they showed some reluctance in leaving the Consulate compound without first seeing the accused, who was quietly removed by another exit. One of them carried a wreath of flowers with which to crown the accused. Gathering in Yuen Ming Yuen Road, a loud shout was raised, calling a blessing from god upon the head of the prisoner.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Buster Keaton has scored a marked success in "Three Ages," a film dealing with stages of history from the period of the cave-dwellers to the present time. It is being shown at the Queen's Theatre. The scenes in the Roman era are very effective. In this film Keaton is supported by Margaret Leahy and Wallace Berry.

CORONET THEATRE.

Just the very picture for a wet week-end is "Oh, Doctor!" which is showing at the Coronet Theatre to-day and to-morrow. It is everything that depressing weather is not, being bright, joyous and exhilarating. "Oh, Doctor!" is the first real comedy made by that dashing young screen actor Reginald Denny, already famous for his clever work in such popular pictures as "Spanking Youth" and "The Reckless Age." Reginald Denny in this, his latest piece, fills the rôle of a young man who imagines himself to be a confirmed invalid, but who displays the most surprising energy and reckless daring when his pretty nurse declares that she could only marry a man of courage.

WORLD THEATRE.

In spite of the fact that the cost of commodities have come down, the cost of making motion pictures has kept mounting steadily until to-day it is possibly fifty per cent. greater than during the war period. Aside from the increase in the salaries of the stars themselves, the factor which makes for higher production cost is the desire on the part of the producers to have their pictures correct in every detail. "Temptation," which comes to the World Theatre for four days' run commencing on Sunday is an instance of how far the producers will go in this direction. "Temptation" contains five stars, among them being such favourites as Bryant Washburn, Eva Novak, June Elvidge, Phillips Smalley and Vernon Steele. It is described as being a story of restless wives and discontented husbands, and is said to contain an unusual amount of human interest.

The second of Jack Dempsey's "Fight and Win" series, "A Society Knockout" begins on Sunday at the World Theatre. Gerald Beaumont, famous for notable magazine stories, wrote the feature especially for the champion, and two directors, J. Robbins and Kenton, were behind the megaphones. The supporting cast includes such favourites as Chuck Reisner, Hayden Stevenson and others from Universal City.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

The 56th annual meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was held yesterday at noon in the Boardroom at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Mr. B. D. F. Beith presided.

After the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen,—The Reports and Accounts having now been in your hands for some days I propose, with your permission, to follow the usual custom of taking them as read. The outturn of the year 1923, you will observe, has proved to be quite satisfactory, and although somewhat overshadowed by that for 1922, which it will be remembered proved to be a record, it compares very favourably with the average profit for the five years which immediately precede it, and which are among the best in the history of the Company. Premium Income shows a falling off of $70,000 and Interest an appreciation of over $20,000, and although the shrinkage in the former has been made good in 1924, it is this question of maintaining our Revenue that gives your General Managers and Committee most concern in these days of commercial depression and acute competition.

The ratio of losses and expenses work out at 10.04 per cent. and 37.37 per cent. respectively, as against 31.06 per cent. and 35.56 per cent., for the year 1922. The rate of exchange at which the figures are shown is to all intents and purposes the same as last year.

The balance at credit of Working Account for 1924 is $513,777.07, or approximately the same as the carry forward for 1923 after twelve months' working. This account has still a further twelve months to run and though it is early yet to say much about it, by the way things are going, we have reasonable grounds for hoping that the final result will prove to be fully worthy of its predecessors.

The surplus to be dealt with at this meeting is $503,721.80, and we recommend the payment of a dividend of $35 per share, the same as last year, absorbing $280,000, and the appropriation of the balance of $223,721.80, at exchange 2/3⅞ = £25,867.16.8, to the credit of Reinsurance Fund. This fund will then stand at the sum of £208,668.4.8. All our Reserves are in a satisfactory condition, the Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account again showing an appreciation of approximately $15,000. You will, I trust, approve of the usual bonus of 15 per cent. on their salaries being granted to the staff. I do not think there is anything further with reference to the accounts calling for special mention by me. The past year has proved an uneventful one, though fire losses in the Far East have been comparatively light, there have been numerous conflagrations of a severe nature in other parts of the world in which the Company operates.

After the resolution, which I am about to propose, has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions arising out of the accounts which shareholders may wish to ask.

I now propose the following resolution:

"That the Report and Accounts as presented, including the payment of a dividend of $35 per share, the transfer of £25,867.16.8, at exchange 2/3⅞ = $223,721.80, to the credit of Reinsurance Fund, and the payment to the Staff of 15 per cent. upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

Mr. A. DENISON seconded, and the report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Mr. JOHN ARNOLD proposed the re-election of the Consulting Committee as follows: The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White.

Mr. CHAU SIU KI seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. R. L. BRIDGER proposed the re-election as auditors of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, at a remuneration of $750 each.

Mr. LO CHEUNG SIU seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Chairman announced that dividend warrants were obtainable at the office.

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. B. D. F. Beith (Chairman), the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Mr. C. Bernard Brown, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Mr. T. E. Pearce and Mr. H. P. White (Consulting Committee); Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. R. L. Bridger, J. Arnold, A. Denison, C. Savard Remedios, Chau Siu Ki, Lo Cheung Siu, G. B. Osmund, J. H. Seth, Ho Leung, F. M. Ellis, A. H. M. da Silva, A. J. Edgar and E. Ellis.

HOW BANDITS WERE FOILED.

CAPTURED COLONEL WHO SHOT HIMSELF.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST OUTLAWS.

An episode in the captivity of the Belgian Father de Chappelle is told in a telegram from the Tutung of Suiyuan, Li Ming Chung. "He sent a Colonel Yu Lu to rescue the Father, but the former was enticed into a temple by the bandits and captured, following which he was used as a shield against the Government troops. Waiting his opportunity, Colonel Yu seized a revolver from his captor and shot himself.

The following is the full story as told in the Tutung's report:

"With a view to rescuing Father Chappelle, I despatched Colonel Yu Lu with a regiment of cavalry to pursue the bandits. Colonel Yu was noted for his bravery and devotion to duty and during the pursuit he was always ahead of his men.

"The bandits, however, were cunning enough to lure him into the recess of a temple and there captured him to use as a shield against the Government troops.

(*Continued on next Column*).

He was carried about from place to place, and one day when the guards slackened their vigilance, Colonel Yu snatched the revolver from one of them, and after killing several of the bandits, shot himself.

"As this military officer sacrificed his life for his country, it is hereby recommended that posthumous honours be awarded him."

FIGHTING BANDITS.

A vigorous campaign against banditry in Suiyuan has been waged since Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang arrived in Kalgan, according to reports from that place. This was considered a first step toward maintaining peace and order. Groups of bandits have either been captured or dispersed, while others were driven to the mountains in the north.

More than six hundred captives, men and women, together with one American missionary, have been rescued. The report states that the section of the Special Area known as Wu Sing is now entirely cleared of this disturbing element.

Father de Chappelle, however, is still in captivity, as it is very difficult for the Government troops to locate his whereabouts. It was the attempt of Tutung Li to pursue the band which was supposed to hold the unfortunate priest that resulted in the death of Colonel Yu.—*Chung Mei News Agency.*

LOCAL TURF TOPICS.

DEATH OF PRINCE REGENT IN SHANGHAI.

SOME "WEIGHTY" PROBLEMS.

[BY ARGUS.]

News reached the Colony by cable on Thursday afternoon that both Prince Regent and Mah Jong Shop, who left here in charge of Chi Ling (Sir Paul Chater's trainer), are dead.

Prince Regent, as most readers know, was the property of Dr. Fred Kew, who purchased him last Summer from Mr. Toey, of Shanghai.

The pony was entered here in the name of Sir Paul Chater for the 1924 annual meeting, but went amiss during training and never started.

In the colours of Dr. Kew, and with Mr. G. H. Gibson as pilot, Prince Regent started in five races and was never defeated. His record follows:

October 11th.—Won Fourth Aggregate Stakes (1 mile), carrying 147lbs., in 2.07.3-5.

October 13th.—Won Paddock Plate (1 mile), carrying 138lbs., in 58.3-5.

November 8th.—Won Fifth Aggregate Stakes (1 mile), carrying 131lbs., in 2.06.1-5.

November 29th.—Won Hongkong Autumn Champions (1¼ miles), carrying 138lbs., in 2.38.3-5.

He won all of the foregoing races with consummate ease; in the Champions his time was 30.3-5; 1.01; 1.31.1-5; 2.04.1-5; 2.38.2-5. He won, pulling up, by six lengths.

Unfortunately for his owner, he went amiss before the last annual meeting and only ran once, winning the Kalgan Plate (7 furlongs). He carried 165lbs. and covered the distance in 1.50.3-5. This is the only occasion on which he was ever hustled at the finish; but when Mr. Gibson called upon him he answered gamely and silenced for ever the tongues of those who said he was not "game." If ever a horse showed real gameness, Prince Regent did in the last 100 yards of the Kalgan Plate.

Some months ago Dr. Kew was offered $8,000 for the horse, but his reply was: "Money will not buy him."

Dr. Kew and Mr. Gibson were each the recipient of many messages of sympathy as soon as the news of this gallant pony's death became known.

Mah Jong Shop, was a grey Derby griffin, the property of Mr. J. M. D. Remedios. He had never started, but had given promise of a great future in his training.

A "WEIGHTY" PROBLEM.

As will be seen from an advertisement in this issue, novices will not be allowed to claim Jockey Allowance in any of the handicaps down for decision at the third extra meeting.

The innovation was introduced at the last meeting and found favour generally. It now appears that the concession is "again the law," or, more strictly speaking it is contrary to rule 92 of the H.K.J.C. Rules of Racing, which reads:

"There shall be no allowances or penalties in a handicap except penalties for winning a race after the publication of the weights, and in such event the penalty shall not exceed 7lbs."

For fear, lest it may be claimed that the handicaps decided at last meeting should be declared null and void, it is advisable to quote from Rule 31, which says in part: "The Stewards have full power to make, and if necessary to vary, all arrangements for the conduct of any race meeting."

I think it will be admitted that this rule covers the apparent breach of Rule 92.

Incidentally, it was behind Rule 31 that I sought protection when I suggested, in all seriousness and in the best interests of sport, that the handicaps published for the First Extra Meeting should be declared null and void. One of the Stewards tried to convince me that they had no power to act in the matter. I still consider Rule 31 would have covered the case.

To return to the present incident, it is to be regretted that novices will be deprived of their allowance in the handicaps; but I am in a position to state that there is a weighty body of opinion in favour of novices being allowed to claim it in all races in which the "older hands" are riding, and that steps are already afoot to remedy the present state of things.

While dealing with handicaps, it might be pointed out that the penalty for a pony winning a race and starting in a handicap, on the same day at the next meeting, will only be 5lbs. instead of 7lbs. as heretofore. This is decidedly a move in the right direction, as 7lbs. is a harsh penalty in the case of ponies already well up in the list.

Entries close to-day and should be even better than at last meeting.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The following matches are down for decision to-day,—

HONGKONG CHALLENGE SHIELDS—FINALS.

Junior.

Kowloon Reserves *v.* East Surreys Reserves, Hongkong F.C. ground, at 2.45 p.m. Referee: Mr. Smith, R.A. Linesmen: Messrs. Bennett and Wilby.

Senior.

Hongkong Police *v.* Kowloon, Hongkong F.C. ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee: Mr. F. Smith. Linesmen: Messrs. Austin and Tovey.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division II.

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

University *v.* Hongkong Club Reserves, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Austin.

St. Joseph's "B" *v.* Club de Recreio "B," St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. MacMillan.

East Surreys Drums *v.* South China "A," Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Andrews.

Sacred Heart *v.* St. Joseph's "A," Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

The finals of the Hongkong F.A. Challenge shields are down to be played to-day on the H.K.F.C. ground. The junior game will be between Kowloon Reserves and the East Surreys Reserves. The military team will start favourites and with the heavy going should win. Forty-five minutes each way will be played, and should the scores then be equal, an extra ten minutes each way will be played.

Kowloon and the Police will contest the senior shield. Kowloon were the runners-up last year and are confident of going a step further this year. They are probably reckoning without Clarke, the Police goalkeeper. A good game should be seen and full time will be played. As in the junior game extra time will be played if necessary. Previous winners of the shields are:—

Senior:—
1897 H.M.S. Centurion.
1898 King's Own Rifles.
1899 Hongkong F.C.
1900 Royal Welch Fusiliers.
1901 R.A.
1902 Royal Welch Fusiliers.
1903 H.M.S. *Glory*.
1904 H.M.S. *Albion*.
1905 Royal West Kents.
1906 H.M.S. *Diadem*.
1907 R.A.
1908 Hongkong F.C.
1909 H.M.S. *Bedford*.
1910 The Buffs.
1911 Naval Dockyard.
1912 King's Own Yorkshire L.I.
1913 R.E.
1914 R.A.
1915 R.E.
1916 Hongkong F.C.
1919 Hongkong F.C.
1920 Hongkong Police.
1921 H.M.S. *Titania*.
1922 Hongkong F.C.
1923 Kowloon F.C.
1924 East Surrey Regt.

Junior.—
1923 The King's Regt.
1924 H.M.S. *Titania*.

Although the positions of winners and runners-up in the junior league have been settled, interest still exists in the competition between the less successful teams and some good games should be seen to-day providing the grounds are fit for play.

At Sookunpoo, a keen game should be seen between the East Surreys Drums and South China "A" and the latter at full strength should take the points. The last game between these teams ended in a draw, one all.

Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's are due on the Navy "A" ground, the last game between these teams also ended in a draw, one all. St. Joseph's expect to win to-day.

The previous game between the "B" teams of the Club de Recreio and St. Joseph's ended in a win for Recreio by four goals to *nil*. The game should be more even to-day. The Club Reserves gained a victory over the University in midweek by three goals to *nil*, but with a full team out to-day, the University should win on the South China ground.

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLONY AT V.R.C.

P.O. Ogden and Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates met last night in the first round of the Billiard Tournament for the Championship of the Colony, at the Victoria Recreation Club.

The result was a win for Lt.-Col. Montague Bates, who ran out when his opponent had only scored 442.

BEST BREAKS.

The best breaks were:—
Lt.-Col. Bates: 18, 17, 28, 18, 18, 18, 20, 16, 18, 20, 24.
P.O. Ogden: 19, 14, 14, 14, 14.

The game was refereed by Lieut.-Commander Younge, R.N.

To-night, Wong Po Hong and K. K. Leung, who drew byes in the first round, will meet in the second round of the tournament.

GOLF.

"OXFORD *v.* CAMBRIDGE."

To-day being Boat Race Day, a golf match has been arranged in the afternoon between sides chosen from local representatives of the two Universities. As there will not be sufficient time to play foursomes, the match will be decided by singles only. H.E. Sir Claud Severn and the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher will be on opposing sides.

OPIUM ON S.S. "LORENZO."

SECOND DEFENDANT IS SET AT LIBERTY.

The sequel to the seizure by Revenue Officers of the huge quantity of opium, namely 3,977 taels valued at $88,000, on the s.s. *Lorenzo* recently, took place at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when before Mr. J. R. Wood, the second Chinese, Chan Kwok Tsan, concerned in the affair, as reported in the *Daily Press* on Wednesday, was charged with doing an act preparatory to the attempted exporting of the opium; namely by purchasing sugar and mirrors, amongst which the prepared opium was discovered.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Office, prosecuted and Mr. J. T. Prior defended.

Mr. Lloyd stated that on March 7th, Chief Preventive Officer Clarke went on board the *Lorenzo* and seized 17 packages, numbered consecutively. Six of the cases were said to contain mirrors and eleven others cube sugar. These cases were removed to the Office for examination and when opened it was found that the cases 1-6 contained only mirrors as described in the bill of lading. Of the remaining eleven cases, four were found to contain opium.

In reply to His Worship, Mr. Lloyd said the *Lorenzo* was a British ship. She was on the point of sailing for Cebu when C.P.O. Clarke went on board. Continuing, Mr. Lloyd said that the papers found on the ship showed that the 17 cases formed one consignment. The cases containing mirrors bore the name of the Chung On Shop. Inquiries were made and this shop was located at Queen's Road West. The accountant on being asked, referred to his books and showed an entry for six cases of mirors, which were ordered on March 5th by the Yee Shing firm, 121, Des Vœux Road Central. Revenue Officers visited the address and found it to be an unlicensed house for Fukien people. The defendant was in charge. This place had a sign-board named Sun Yat Hing. Above a display on the verandah was a piece of red paper, bearing the characters, "Yee Shing." Mr. Lloyd said he himself visited 121, Des Vœux Road, to find exactly where the sign "Yee Shing" was. On arriving he found that the sign had been removed, but fragments of paper were sticking to the wall. Eventually a Chinese Revenue Officer picked up parts of this paper from the rubbish bin. Mr. Lloyd added that he also found that the sugar was bought from the agents of the China Sugar Refining Company and was taken delivery of on March 5th. He could not prove who took delivery. He also traced where the cases were made.

His Worship: What is an act preparatory to export?

Mr. Lloyd: The purchasing of the mirrors in the case of this firm. It is always very hard to find out exactly who ordered the goods.

His Worship: You have to bring some personal liability home to this man. You have to show that he did something. What can you show he has done?

Mr. Lloyd: I cannot show that he has actually done anything himself.

His Worship (to Mr. Prior): I think you want the act specified before you go on?

Mr. Prior: Yes, certainly.

His Worship told Mr. Lloyd that he must answer Mr. Prior and on Mr. Lloyd confessing his inability to do so, Mr. Wood discharged the defendant.

AN IMPUDENT SWINDLER.

CHINESE PITCHER THAT WENT TO THE WELL TOO OFTEN.

Before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Sui Kwan, aged 21 years, a coolie, was charged with obtaining the sum of $200 from Ng Sui Fong, an accountant at the Chai Lung Confectionary Shop, No. 115, Bonham Strand, by means of false pretences, on February 23rd. He was also charged with attempting to obtain a further $200 by means of false pretences on March 12th.

Ng Sui Fong stated the defendant came to his office and said he had been sent by Ma Koon to borrow $200. Having known Ma Koon for some years and thinking the request was a genuine one, witness gave defendant the sum of money asked for. Later he saw Ma Koon, who told him he had never sent to borrow any money. On the 12th March, someone rang up on the telephone and said Ma Koon wanted to borrow another $200. Witness told the person to come along to the office at four o'clock. Defendant came at that time and was subsequently arrested.

Defendant admitted obtaining $200, but denied attempting to obtain the money on the second occasion. Asked what had happened to the money, he said it had been spent.

A previous conviction and sentence of one month's imprisonment for a similar offence this year was recorded against defendant, whom His Worship now sentenced to four months' hard labour on the first charge and four months' imprisonment with hard labour on the second charge, the sentences to run consecutively.

LANE CRAWFORD'S CHEATED.

AN ORDER FOR CIGARETTES.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, a young Chinese was charged with obtaining a quantity of cigarettes on two different occasions, from Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Limited, by means of false pretences, namely by representing that he had been sent to obtain them for a supposed customer of the firm, named Lo Man Pan. The quantity of cigarettes obtained in this way altogether came to 48 tins of fifty.

A salesman of the firm said that on the 9th inst., in the afternoon, defendant came to the store and asked if the cigarettes for Mr. Lo Man Pan were ready. Having previously received an order over the telephone for 24 tins of Capstan cigarettes, witness handed this quantity to defendant. On the 12th inst., another order for 24 tins of Capstan cigarettes (Magnum size), was received over the telephone. Defendant again came to the shop, purporting to have been sent there by Mr. Lo Man Pan, and was given 24 tins of these cigarettes. When the books were subsequently looked into, it was found that Mr. Lo Man Pan had no account with the company. A bill for the cigarettes supplied was sent to Mr. Lo Man Pan, who replied to the effect that he had never ordered the goods. The Police were then communicated with and Messrs. Lane Crawford were advised to see whether the order would be repeated. On the 25th instant, a similar order was given and when the messenger arrived at the store he was taken into custody by Mr. S. J. Jordain, the Secretary.

Mr. Lo Man Pan said he did not send defendant for any cigarettes. He had seen him once or twice coming to his office, but when he required cigarettes, he always sent his office coolie for them. He smoked Capstan magnums, but only purchased one tin at a time, at intervals of two or three days.

Giving evidence, defendant admitted obtaining the cigarettes, but stated that he was sent to Messrs. Lane Crawford's to get them by Mr. Lo Man Pan's office coolie. After obtaining the cigarettes he gave them to this office coolie. He did not know what became of them. He acted quite honestly in the matter.

This office boy, who had been previously charged with the defendant, but subsequently discharged, said he gave no instructions to defendant to go for the cigarettes.

Defendant was given an exemplary character prior to this occurrence, and in discharging him, His Worship said: The only question is which of these two persons I have to believe, and I am inclined to believe the man in the dock. You are discharged.

FORTHCOMING CONCERT.

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

Hongkong is to have another opportunity of listening to a concert of light classical items by the ever efficient Surreys Band under the bâton of Bandmaster Bradshaw. The programme which appears in the advertisement in another column proves this. In addition Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith will sing several items from her extensive repertoire. Mr. D. M. Richards, who has built up a Gilbert and Sullivan reputation, will also sing, Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith being at the piano. The proceeds are for that deserving institution, the Missions to Seamen. The Concert is to be given in the Theatre Royal on Thursday, April 2nd, under distinguished patronage. Booking is at Anderson's. It should be added that there will be a free annotated programme of exceptional interest.

THE STAR THEATRE.

ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR ROSSITER COMPANY.

Madeline Rossiter and her versatile company of mirth providers met with another splendid reception at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, last night. The house was again a full one and the programme was thoroughly enjoyed from start to finish.

Last night's entertainment was entitled "Flares and Flashes," a title which served to cloak a variety of contributions, including the introduction of Madeline Rossiter's latest dance creation, "Dance-o-mania," as featured at the Alhambra Theatre, London.

To-night, there will be an entire change of programme, the title of this evening's performance being "Flashlights," which will introduce new songs, new dances, and new burlesques. It promises to be a comedy show that will keep everyone in the throes of continual merriment. To-morrow evening a musical comedy programme that is entirely different, "Stroller Land," will be presented and on Monday night the programme is classed a topsy turvy one in which the company burlesque themselves. The farewell performance to be given on Tuesday night will include the most popular items in the company's repertoire.

CHARGES AGAINST INDIAN.

PRACTISING WITHOUT PERMIT AND POSSESSING POISONS.

A "BREEZE" IN COURT.

The case against Hakim Karim Bux of the Indian Mosque, charged with practising medicine without being registered and with illegal possession of poisons, was continued at Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday. The whole sitting was taken up with the evidence of two witnesses. The first said he paid for medicines given him by defendant.

Karam Bux, the second witness, in answer to Mr. Whyte-Smith for the prosecution, said he was joint owner with defendant and another Indian of the shop at 34, Haiphong Road. He was called to the shop on December 31st and showed the police the cases where defendant kept his medicines. He personally did not own any of the drugs, neither had he ever practised as a doctor. Continuing, witness said he had been in the army for five years and produced his discharge papers. His Worship intimated that he did not wish to see them.

Inspector Dorling rose and taking the document from witness handed it to Mr. Whyte-Smith who glanced through it and handed it back to the Inspector, who in turn was about to give it back to witness, when Mr. Elsley Zeitlyn, counsel for the defence, snatched it and raised an objection against the way the document was being handed about, without his Worship or he (counsel) perusing it. His Worship objected to Mr. Zeitlyn's manner and remarked there had been an element of roughness about the case on previous occasions. Mr. Zeitlyn said he was entitled to object as such a thing was never done.

His Worship: You are entitled to object but you might be a little less crude about it.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

Mr. Zeitlyin subjected the witness to a severe cross-examination, and eventually he admitted that there was some ill-feeling between defendant and himself. He did not know what nux vomica was, and on being challenged that it was at one time sold in his shop, he said he was selling it for defendant, but eventually refused to sell it. He identified defendant's pass-book and agreed that an entry of half a pound of nux vomica for March 26th was in the handwriting of the accountant of his shop, but the accountant had been appointed by defendant. He denied that he had practised as a doctor, nor had he prescribed medicines for certain ailments.

He also denied that he had on the 23rd February told a police guard whom he knew at Hung Hom that if he would give evidence against Hakim Karim Bux, he (witness) would give him anything. He also denied that in the middle of December a meeting was held in his brother's house when there were several Indians present. The defence alleged that, at this meeting, the Indians were given medicines and powders and told to inform the police that they had received them from defendant. For this each person would be paid 50 dollars.

Witness persisted that no such meeting was held.

The hearing will be continued on Monday.

THE LATE DR. SUN YAT SEN.

HIS DYING MESSAGE TO RUSSIA.

The *Rosta* (Bolshevist) News Agency at Peking, states that feeling the approach of death, Dr. Sun Yat Sen on the 11th inst., called the members of the Central Committee of the Kuomintang and had drafted the following message to the Central Executive Committee of the U.S.S.R., signing it with his own hand:

"To the Central Executive Committee of Soviet Socialist Republics.

"My Dear Comrades,—"As I lie here with a malady that is beyond men's skill, my thoughts turn to you and to the future of my Party and my country.

"You are the head of a Union of free republics which is the real heritage that the immortal Lenin has left to the world of the oppressed peoples. Through this heritage, the victims of imperialism are destined to secure their freedom and deliverance from an international system whose foundations lie in ancient slaveries and wars and injustices.

"I am leaving behind me a Party which I hoped would be associated with you in the historic work of completely liberating China and other exploited countries from this imperialist system. Fate decrees that I must leave the task unfinished and pass it on to those who, by remaining true to the principles and teachings of the Party, will constitute my real followers.

"I have, therefore, enjoined the Kuomintang to carry on the work of the national revolutionary movement in order that China may be freed from the semi-colonial status which imperialism has imposed upon her. To this end I have charged the Party to keep in constant touch with you; and I look with confidence to the continuance of the support that your Government has heretofore extended to my country.

"In bidding farewell to you, dear Comrades, I wish to express the fervent hope that the day may soon dawn when the U.S.S.R. will greet, as a friend and ally, a strong and independent China and the two allies may together advance to victory in the great struggle for the liberation of the oppressed peoples of the world.

"With fraternal greetings.

(Signed) Sun Yat Sen.

POPPY DAY DRIVE 1924.

A TOTAL OF £3,407 FROM HONGKONG AND CHINA BRANCH.

Mr. H. Glanville, Chairman of the Poppy Day Sub-Committee, 1924, in Hongkong, sends us a copy of the audited balance-sheet of the "Poppy Day Drive" organised by the Hongkong and China Branch of The British Legion in aid of Earl Haig's Fund which was held on November 11th, 1924, which we give below.

From this it will be seen that the total amount remitted to Earl Haig's Fund as a result of the "Drive" was £3,407 12s. 7d.

Mr. Glanville adds that he is also in receipt of information that £137 11s. 11d. was sent from Shameen, Canton, and £21 19s. 3d. from Kiungchow. These sums are not shown in the accounts as they were remitted direct.

The thanks of the Sub-Committee are due to Mr. J. Fleming for kindly auditing the accounts.

RECEIPTS.

HONGKONG.

Street Sales:		
Victoria and Island	$6,423.02	
Kowloon and New Territories	2,505.13	
		$8,928.15
AUCTIONS AND RAFFLES, ETC.		
Hongkong Club	$2,607.00	
Kowloon C.C.	2,369.35	
Victoria Recreation Club	1,646.16	
Hongkong Stock Exchange	1,176.00	
Hongkong Sharebrokers Association	1,200.00	
Charity Football match	573.10	
Bridge Drive, $208; Civil Service Club, $300; Queen's Theatre, $200; Easma Club, $396, Hongkong Hotel, $215	1,319.00	
		10,890.61
DONATIONS.		
Victoria	$2,557.15	
Kowloon	950.00	
		3,507.15
Bank Interest		12.48
		$23,338.39

OTHER COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS.

Amoy	£56.14. 9	
Antung		25.00
Changsha		214.84
Chefoo	70. 0. 0	
Chingkiang		240.73
Chungking		297.97
Dairen	5. 0. 0	339.73
Foochow		306.00
Harbin, Manchuria		158.11
Hangchow		332.00
Ichang		328.00
Kuling (Redcroft School)		20.07
Kiukiang	2. 0. 0	194.85
Makden, Manchuria		292.40
Nanking		305.00
Ningpo		121.00
Swatow		1,060.60
Tsingtao and Tsinan		473.12
Weihaiwei	27.14.10	
Wuhu		496.58
	£161. 9. 7	$23,444.39

PAYMENTS.

EXPENSES.

Poppies	$567.00
Boxes, baskets	98.15
Printing, stationery, Advertising	195.07
Telegrams to London	22.85
Postages and petties	49.45
Shroff—commission on collections	41.40
Insurance of flower sellers	50.00
Albums, etc., for auction	111.50
	$1,135.42

REMITTANCES TO LONDON.

Hongkong	£2,845. 1. 7	$22,202.97
		$23,338.39
Amoy	56.14. 9	
Antung	2.19. 4	25.00
Changsha	25. 8.10	214.84
Chefoo	70. 0. 0	
Chingkiang	28.12. 0	240.73
Chungking	34.13. 4	297.97
Dairen	45. 4.10	339.73
Foochow	36. 4.11	306.00
Harbin, Manchuria	18.18. 1	158.11
Hanchow	38.12. 8	332.00
Ichang	39. 0.16	328.00
Kuling (Redcroft School)	2. 7. 4	20.07
Kiukiang	25. 1. 6	194.85
Mukden, Manchuria	33. 8. 3	292.40
Nanking	24. 5. 7	305.00
Ningpo	14. 7. 9	121.00
Swatow	126. 3. 9	1,060.60
Tsingtao, £20.10.1; Tsinan, £34.11.2	55. 1. 3	473.12
Weihaiwei	27.14.10	
Wuhu	57.15. 9	496.58
	£3,407.12. 7	$23,444.39

AMERICAN STOWAWAYS.

SHIPPED BACK FROM MANILA.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday, William Forrester and C. J. Mason, two American seamen, were charged with having stowed away on the s.s. *President Wilson* from Hongkong to Manila.

It was stated that the ship left Hongkong on March 19th and defendants were found during the voyage concealed in No. 1 hold. They were taken to Manila where they were detained for some time in prison, and were then shipped back to Hongkong.

Both defendants pleaded guilty to the charge and said they had missed their ship and intended catching her at Manila. They asserted that they had been tried and sentenced for the offence at a Court in Manila, and submitted that they could not again be sentenced on the charge.

The case was remanded until Monday.

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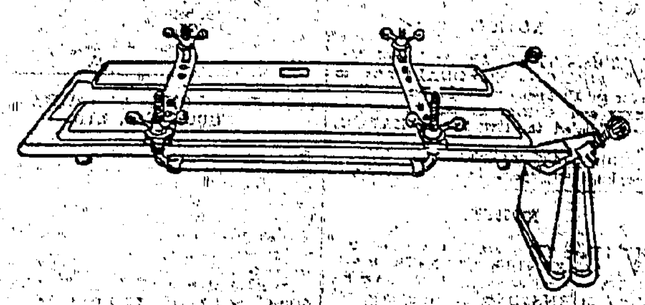

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NOTICE.

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Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and NOON within the free storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd April, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1925. [2036

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "CITY OF DURBAN" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 3rd April, 1925, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 9th April, 1925, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
THE BANK LINE, LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1925. [2038

NOTICE.

WHEREAS all those the Premises known as No. 105, WING LOK STREET, and built on the Remaining Portion of Marine Lot No. 135, have been leased by the owners the LEE FOOK SHING COMPANY to the LEE YUEN TUNG COMPANY, under and by virtue of an agreement for a lease written in the Chinese language and dated the 18th day of the 3rd Moon in the Kap Tsz year (21st April, 1924). And whereas the rent reserved by the said agreement is in arrear and remains unpaid and due as from the 18th day of the first Moon Yuet Chau year (10th February, 1925). And whereas due demand has been made for the said rent accordingly to law.

And whereas the Tenants the said LEE YUEN TUNG COMPANY, have ceased to remain in possession of the said Premises locked them up and to all intents and purposes appear to have abandoned the Possession thereof.

And whereas the owners under the circumstances infer that the tenants have abandoned the said premises and the Owners will re enter and take possession of the same on the 30th day of March, 1925, and treat the conduct of the said tenants as indicative of their intention to surrender the said Premises as by operation of Law unless the said tenants give Notice to the contrary on or before the said 30th day of March, 1925.

This Notice is given by the Owners of the above Premises The LEE FOOK SHING COMPANY, of No. 100, Queen's Road East, Victoria, Hongkong.

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INTIMATIONS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, 20, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, on SATURDAY, the 28TH of MARCH, 1925, at 11 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st of MARCH, to 28TH of MARCH, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1925. [1983

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 30TH MARCH, 1925, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 20TH to the 30TH MARCH, 1925, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1925. [1976

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE FORTY SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, PEDDER STREET, on TUESDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1925, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17TH to the 31ST MARCH, 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1925. [1975

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the Offices of MESSRS. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 8TH DAY of APRIL, 1925, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1924, and of Electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2ND to the 8TH APRIL, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1925. [2025

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 8TH APRIL, 1925, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1924, confirming the Appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 1ST APRIL, 1925, until WEDNESDAY, the 8TH APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. BARTHOLOMEW,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1925. [2007

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

3RD EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on the 11TH and 13TH APRIL, 1925.

ALTERED CONDITIONS:—

FIRST DAY.—TWICKENHAM HANDICAP AND ESHER HANDICAP, 2ND, 3RD, 6TH and 8TH RACES.

SECOND DAY.—GREAT METROPOLITAN HANDICAP, HYDE PARK HANDICAP AND KINGSWOOD HANDICAP, 4TH, 6TH and 7TH RACES.

NO JOCKEY ALLOWANCE.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for The THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 11TH, and MONDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1925 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONGKONG CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES.

Entries will Close at 12 o'clock NOON on SATURDAY, 28TH MARCH, 1925.

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MR. K. HAYASHI has arrived with A Very Fine Collection of Old JAPAN PRINTS by KIOMASSU TOTOKUMI, Hiroshige, Hokusai, and all the Foremost Masters of Japan. PRICES Ranging From 50 Cents to $2,000.

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A Cordial Invitation is Extended to All Lovers of ART to Visit This Interesting EXHIBITION.

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INTIMATIONS

ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS.

OWING to the Inclement Weather The ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS Are POSTPONED until Further Notice.

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BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE HONGKONG BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP has now commenced at the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. CHARGES of ADMISSION to the Preliminaries are: Club Members and Soldiers and Sailors 25 cents; Non-Members of the V.R.C. 50 cents.

The First Session commences at 6 o'clock each Evening.

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FOOTBALL.

SHIELD FINALS.

JUNIOR GAME
KOWLOON v. SURREYS,
KICK OFF 2.45 P.M.

SENIOR GAME
POLICE v. KOWLOON,
KICK OFF 4.30 P.M.

CLUB GROUND,
SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH.
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THE YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to CHU KWONG LAN of 312, Des Voux Road Central, Hongkong, a Duplicate Certificate for Eight Shares in the Company or other Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof, upon the statement that the Original Certificate No. 4/444 and dated Thirtieth day of November, 1907, for Shares numbered 1423 to 1429, both inclusive and 7103 has been LOST or DESTROYED; and Notice is Hereby Given that if within Thirty Days from the Date hereby No Claim or representation in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Directors, they will then proceed to deal with such application for a Duplicate or other new Certificate or Certificates.

Dated, Shanghai, 27th February, 1925.
T. A. CLARK,
1953] Secretary and Manager.

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Dated, Shanghai, 27th February, 1925.
T. A. CLARK,
1959] Secretary and Manager.

PREMISES VACANT.

SHORTLY available for Rental on Lease GROUND FLOOR PREMISES at 16, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL (adjoining the HONGKONG HOTEL), suitable for Departmental Stores, The Premises may be Let either as a Whole or in Three Sections. For particulars, please apply to THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD. (2nd floor), at Address given.

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NEWLY-BUILT European HOUSES and FLATS, Next to H.M. BABINGTON PATH. Each Flat contains from 2 to 4 Rooms, besides Bathroom, Kitchen and Servants' Quarters. Verandahs Overlook Harbour. Ready about Next Month. Moderate Rental. Apply Box No. 2015, care of *Hongkong Daily Press*.

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STORAGE SPACE on Marine Lots with Godowns and Chinese Houses TO LET.
W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD.,
1799] Kowloon Bay.

TO LET.

FROM JUNE 1ST, 1925, Two OFFICE ROOMS on 2ND FLOOR, NEW BANK BUILDING. Most suitable for Share or Exchange Brokers. Apply to SANG KEE, same Building.

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WEIHAIWEI.—TO LET: Newly Constructed BUNGALOW in a Splendid Position Close to the Sea. Furnished. Electric Light. For particulars, apply to H. L. BEER, WEIHAIWEI. [81

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By Royal Appointment to His Majesty The King.

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BIRTHS.

HUBER.—At Shanghai, on March 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES J. HUBER, a daughter, MARY ELLEN.

MAIN.—At Shanghai, on March 18th, to Mr. and Mrs. S. DUNCAN MAIN, a daughter.

DEATHS.

ANSON.—At Southfield, St. Leonards-on-Sea, on February 26th, Major-Gen. Sir ARCHIBALD EDWARD HARBORD ANSON, K.C.M.G., late Royal Artillery, formerly Lieutenant-Governor of Penang, in his 99th year.

LANG.—At Alexandria, Scotland, on January 23rd, ARCHIBALD LANG, aged 65 years, late chief engineer, China Merchants S.N. Co.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 28TH, 1925.

THE ROTOR SHIP.

No doubt many of our readers have seen pictures of the FLETTNER "rotor-ship," embodying an invention which it is claimed will revolutionise shipping. In appearance the ship is remarkable, for it is unlike either a sailing ship or a steamer. As far as we are able to understand the general principles of the invention, there can be one, two, or more, towers which ascend from the deck to a height of about fifty feet. These towers consist of hollow cylinders which are caused to rotate. The power needed to rotate them is supplied by the machinery in the ships. It is explained by the inventor that the towers are only to be regarded as auxiliary means of propulsion. The ship is to carry the usual machinery which will in all probability be used for about half of the voyage. During the time that the wind is favourable the main machinery will be out of action and the rotors will be made to spin round. If all the conditions are favourable it is believed that the combined effect of the wind and the rotating cylinders will be to send the ships through the water at the same rate as when using the ordinary machinery. The great saving that is claimed is due to the fact that the rotors require about one-tenth of the power used by the screw propellor. After meeting many of the usual difficulties which beset the path of the inventor, FLETTNER was able to fit rotors to a ship named the *Buckau*. She recently set on a voyage out from Danzig to Kiel and is reported to have encountered very stormy weather. According to the reports, she was chartered at Danzig for a cargo of wood which was to be delivered at Grangemouth. On her voyage from Kiel to Danzig there was an unfavourable wind which made a speed of more than four knots impossible. During a gale in the Baltic there were times when the rotors had to be stopped. Towards the end of the trip, however, the *Buckau* made a speed of seven knots. It is only about three months ago that the public first heard of the rotor ship. We understand that a working model of the rotor ship which has been constructed locally has demonstrated beyond question that the main ideas of FLETTNER can be put into practice, but whether the rotor ship is a commercial success is quite another question. It would be unfair to condemn the invention simply because, on the first voyage which was intended to demonstrate its practical uses, bad weather conditions interfered with the full success of the experiment. Herr FLETTNER is evidently a man with the courage of his convictions, for we see he engaged himself to deliver a lecture on his invention some time this month before the members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland—a jury well qualified to subject the inventor's claims to searching analysis. There is always a disposition to regard a new invention with scepticism. Claims made for an invention often appear so extravagant that the cautious mind is instinctively disposed to say "Wait and See." It is frequently the case that it is not the inventor so much as the company promoter who is responsible for the extravagance of the claims. Very large sums of money have been made out of inventions in the last quarter of a century, but it does not always happen that the man who originates the new idea derives the greatest financial advantage from it. Usually the mind that produces the invention is not very good at finance. But if large sums have been made out of inventions in recent times, so also have large sums been lost in financing inventions which have not been a commercial success. Whether the rotor ship has the commercial possibilities claimed for it is a matter on which no sound judgment can at present be formed, and in any case if shipping is to be revolutionised by the invention, the process would be a very gradual one. Meanwhile it is an idea with which the public imagination toys.

Mr. A. W. Walkinshaw, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Ipoh, who has recovered from his recent illness, has gone to Ceylon for a short change.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 14th amounted to 100,200 tons, and the sales to 83,776 tons.

Heavy rains fell in the Colony throughout Thursday night. The fall for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. yesterday is given in the Observatory report as 2.92 inches.

Capt. G. C. Dickens, C.M.G., grandson of the famous author, who was recently on the China Station, has been selected for the officers' war course at Greenwich College.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended on March 26th shows 3 cases of small-pox, 2 cases of enteric fever, and 1 case of cerebro-spinal, all Chinese.

Foreign as well as Chinese landlords in Chinese territory have been "ordered" to pay a month's rent to the Shanghai Military Rehabilitation Bureau, says the Chinese press of that city. As a receipt, landlords receive "debenture bonds."

A Macao message has reached Hongkong to the effect that on Wednesday last, in the early morning, the Macao-Shekki ferryboat was attacked by three pirate launches. The pirates took the ferryboat in tow, and all on board were kidnapped.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Li Kai, who was arrested during a raid on the Ping Loong tea house, Eastern Street, and charged with being in possession of one revolver and four rounds of ammunition, was committed for trial at the April Criminal Sessions.

At the U.S. Court, Shanghai, on March 23rd, Judge Purdy sustained a motion by defendants in the action for alleged libel by Mr. Rose against the *China Press* for more particulars. Another action for libel against the newspaper, in which the plaintiff is Mr. N. E. B. Ezra, will be heard on April 17th.

A message from Ipoh in the *Straits Times*, says:—The Chinese republican flags were half masted at many shops which the local Kuomintang party ordered to be closed on March 18th. Some liquor shops attempted business, but were stoned by pedestrians and stallholders. The observance of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's death is general.

It is reported that on Monday night, thieves broke into the Kung Hing pawnshop, near the Hong Kung Temple, one of Macao's busiest districts, and jewellery and other valuables were stolen. It appears that the robbers removed an iron bar from one of the windows, and squeezed through into the premises. The loss is estimated at $10,000.

Demand to be represented at the Rehabilitation Conference were made at a Chinese feminist meeting at Shanghai, on March 22nd. The gathering, held under the auspices of the Chinese National Women Citizens Association, sent telegrams to Marshal Tuan Chi Jui and the Provincial authorities requesting that "women's rights should be respected."

Nominations closed yesterday in connection with the election of a member to the Legislative Council, to take the place of the Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, who becomes an official member during his tenure of the Attorney-Generalship. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., was the only Justice of the Peace nominated, and therefore assumes the duties of an unofficial member.

The King has been pleased to appoint Sir Frank Athelstane Swettenham, G.C.M.G., C.H., to be King of Arms of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, in succession to Sir Montagu Frederick Ommanney, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., I.S.O., who has resigned the appointment in consequence of the state of his health. Sir Frank Swettenham has had a distinguished career in the Colonial Service, concluding with the Governorship of the Straits Settlements.

Sub-Lieut. J. P. L. Reid, of H.M.S. *Carlisle*, has been awarded the Beaufort and Wharton Testimonials for the year 1924. The Beaufort Testimonial commemorates the service of Rear-Admiral Sir Francis Beaufort, K.C.B., and the Wharton Testimonial that of Rear-Admiral Sir William Wharton, K.C.B., F.R.S., two distinguished hydrographers of the Navy. The testimonials are awarded each year to the midshipman who passes the best examination in navigation and pilotage for promotion.

IMPORTANT ORDER FOR SHIPS.

PLACED WITH GERMAN FIRM.

Furness Withy and Company, Ltd., has placed an order with the Deutschewerft, Hamburg, for five ships to trade between America, Great Britain and the Far East. The Germans quoted £60,000 per ship less than the lowest British tender.

Representatives of the shipyard workers at the beginning of March were threatening a general Trade Union boycott of the firm issuing the order.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOME RACING.

GRAND NATIONAL IS WON BY DOUBLE CHANCE.

LONDON, March 27th.

The Grand National Steeplechase (4 miles 856 yards) was decided, over the Aintree course at Liverpool, this afternoon.

The result was:

Double Chance, 10st. 9lbs.	1
Old Tay Bridge, 11st. 12lbs. ...	2
Fly Mask, 11st. 11lbs.	3

Thirty-three horses started.

Won by 4 lengths. Six lengths between second and third.

STARTING PRICES.

100 to 9 agst. Double Chance.
9 to 1 agst. Old Tay Bridge.
10 to 1 agst. Fly Mask.

EARLIER WAGERING.

The betting on the Grand National on the 9th inst., according to a London cable to Indian papers was:

100 to 9 Fly Mask (taken and offered), 100 to 9 Silvo (offered), 100 to 7 Winnall and Double Chance, 20 to 1 Alcazar (offered), 25 to 1 Gracious Gift (offered 33 to 1 taken).

Major F. J. Scott-Murray, the owner of Gerald L., died recently in a London nursing home. It was hoped that Gerald L. would win the National this year, but the nomination was rendered void by the owner's death.

For the Lincolnshire Handicap Parth was a clear favourite in the call over on the 9th. Tapin, the horse that has won the race, was backed down to fourteens to win about £12,000, and that in spite of rumours that he was still slightly amiss.

POLAND AND GERMANY.

WARSAW PRESS NERVOUS RE BERLIN'S INTENTIONS.

WARSAW, March 27th.

As was to be expected in view of Poland's vital concern, the German pact proposals and Mr. Austen Chamberlain's speech have aroused keenest interest here. While his emphasis of Poland's growing importance in Europe is welcomed, the conviction attributed to Mr. Chamberlain that should Germany renounce her aspiration to change the Western frontier, she will later adopt an identical attitude in respect to the Eastern, is disputed, the newspapers believing that Germany is trying to separate the two problems in view of having a freer hand to deal with the Eastern border.

Likewise Mr. Chamberlain's plea, for Germany's entry into the League of Nations with full rights, has aroused adverse comment.

LORD RAWLINSON ILL.

OPERATION FOR APPENDICITIS CAUSES ANXIETY.

DELHI, March 27th.

General Lord Rawlinson, Commander-in-Chief of the Army in India, was recently operated on for appendicitis.

His condition is very grave and causing the greatest anxiety.

DEFENCE OF AUSTRALIA.

PRIME MINISTER URGES STEPS AGAINST INVASION.

ADELAIDE, March 27th.

Mr. Stanley Bruce, Prime Minister of Australia, in a speech at Burra dealing with national defence, said that unquestionably any Power that could send a force overseas could land men in many parts of Australia, where it would be impossible to reach and dislodge them.

Consequently Australia ought to take steps to ensure she never would be invaded and, that if she had to fight, it would not be on her own shores.

SWEDISH LABOUR TROUBLE.

ALL PARTIES TO DISPUTE REACH SETTLEMENT.

STOCKHOLM, March 27th.

The labour disputes in Sweden, involving a lock-out in the engineering industry, have been settled.

All parties accepted the proposals of the mediation commission.

EARLIER CABLES.

A FRIENDLY VISIT.

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER ON AMERICAN FLEET.

ADELAIDE, March 26th.

Mr. Stanley Bruce, Prime Minister of Australia, speaking at Burra, said that Australia regarded the United States as being more than a great foreign Power. It represented the realisation of the aspirations all had for Australia's future. The coming visit of the American fleet was not a militaristic demonstration, but merely a friendly visit, and he promised it in the name of Australia a rousing welcome.

EARLIER CABLES.

MUMTAZ BEGUM CASE.

TRIAL OF NINE ACCUSED OPENS IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY, March 26th.

There were vast crowds outside the Court of the Chief Magistrate of the Bombay Presidency for the opening of the trial of the nine persons accused of conspiring to kidnap Mumtaz Begum, attempting to kidnap her on January 12, murdering the merchant Bawla, attempting to murder Lieut. Saegert and Mr. Matthews, and with grievously injuring Mumtaz Begum.

The nine accused are all from Indore, including Shafi Ahmed, who is decribed as a risaldar in the Indore Mounted Police; Sham Rao Dighe, captain in the Indore Air Force; Karamat Khan, sergeant in the Indore Imperial Lancers; Sirdar Anand Rao Pandse, former Adjutant-General of the Indore State Forces.

An additional accused had turned King's evidence.

THE GIRL'S EVIDENCE.

Mumtaz Begum, in evidence, stated that she was 22 years of age, and was the mistress of the Maharajah of Indore for nine or ten years. She went to England with the Maharajah. A daughter was born, but died immediately afterwards. She complained that she had been kept in custody, and she petitioned the police. She left Indore and went to Amritsar, when men from Indore visited her. One brought a letter from the Maharajah, which stated in effect that if she did not return willingly she would be taken "by other means." She then went to Nagpur, where two men from Indore visited her. Later she went to Bombay, and was forced into the city from the suburbs, as the same two men had followed her. Then Bawla lodged her in his bungalow and refused to allow her to go driving alone. On January 11th, Bawla told her that he had been informed that a man would come to take her and murder him next day. She and Bawla were driving when the outrage was perpetrated by seven or eight men, who attacked them. Cursing, one of the men cried, "Where are you taking our lady?"

Mumtaz Begum, continuing her evidence, said that the men then began firing. She was dragged out of the car and stabbed on the forehead and carried to her assailants' car shouting and struggling. She managed to get out and rescuers arrived. She identified Shafi Ahmed.

Mahomed Ali Yusuf, Mumtaz Begum's stepfather, stated that when he visited Indore, Mumtaz Begum was living in the palace as the Maharajah's third wife. They quarrelled, and she took advantage of the Maharajah's statement that she could leave him.

The tenth accused, who turned King's evidence, was Bawla's chauffeur.

[The *Times of India*, of March 7th, in addition to Sirdar Pandse, states the accused alleged to be concerned were P. B. Ponde, Mankari, Indore, (2) Captain Dighe, Indore (3) Mumtaz Ali C.I.D., Indore, (4) Akbar Ali, Mounted Police Service, Indore, (5) Karamat Khan, Imperial Service, Indore, (6) Abdul Latif, Motor Driver, Indore and (7) Bahadursha, Motor Driver, Indore.]

LATEST CABLES.

SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE.

BOMBAY, March 27th.

On the resumption of the Malabar Hill trial, sensational evidence was given by Alla Bux Wazir, taxi-driver to the uncle of Mumtaz Begum. In regard to the alleged plot to abduct Mumtaz, he said he went to Indore as he was told he was wanted by the Maharajah. He was told, after arrival there, by two of the accused that Mumtaz would be taken to Indore. He was asked to assist and promised to help six of the other accused.

He returned to Bombay and warned Bawla that he was being shadowed. Bawla dismissed his watchman, because he was informed he had accepted a bribe of Rs.2,000 to leave the doors of the bungalow unfastened.

Alla Bux denied he was a conspirator, but said the accused had confidence in him. He wanted to find out what was happening, as he was a relation of Mumtaz, and he pretended to be in their confidence and promised to do what the conspirators asked.

He only got ten rupees as he lost customers because he had not plied for hire. The accused Phanse gave him the money and promised the Maharajah would give him more.

EARLIER CABLES.

EARL OF YPRES.

CONDITION IS STILL CAUSE OF MUCH ANXIETY.

LONDON, March 26th.

The Earl of Ypres' condition has not changed much during the past two days and still causes considerable anxiety.

MINING DISASTER.

CAGE CRASHES TO BOTTOM OF SARRE SHAFT.

STRASSBOURG, March 26th.

A cage was ascending the Reumaux pit in the Sarre and Moselle mine, with eighty coal miners when the cable broke, probably due to overweight.

The cage crashed 150 feet to the bottom of the shaft. Thirty of the men were injured. They were rescued but it is feared the remainder were killed.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ARMY OF JAPAN.

REDUCTION OF MILITARY FORCES EFFECTIVE ON MAY 1ST.

TOKYO, March 27th.

The War Office this evening formally announced that the reduction of the military forces would be effective from May 1st. The reduction includes four division headquarters, eight brigade headquarters, sixteen infantry regiments, four cavalry and four field artillery regiments, and four sappers and four commissariat battalions.

The division headquarters to be abolished include the thirteenth, fifteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth.

SUFFRAGE IN JAPAN.

PEERS PASS UNIVERSAL BILL WITH AMENDMENT.

TOKYO, March 26th.

The House of Peers passed the Universal Suffrage Bill with an amendment, which will be referred to a joint conference.

CRUX OF SITUATION.

TOKYO, March 27th.

The crux of the political situation today is the amendment to the Suffrage Bill, passed last night in the House of Peers by an overwhelming majority, affecting the ineligibility to vote of those unable to live on their own incomes or earnings, whereas the original Bill declared that the only ineligible persons were those who are receiving public or private assistance.

A joint conference of ten members from each House is now in session, but it is believed a solution will be very difficult as each House is unwilling to concede to the other, though there is a possibility that a compromise may be reached.

KOZLOV EXPEDITION.

THE EXPLORATION OF MONGOLIA AND TIBET PLANNED.

MOSCOW, March 27th.

The Rosta News Agency announces that M. Kozlov, leader of the Mongolian and Tibetan Expedition, started for Mongolia on March 28th. He is accompanied by M. Prezevalsky, grandson of the celebrated Russian explorer. Kozlov will direct the further operations of his expedition, which is already in Mongolia.

The Moscow Government has granted funds sufficient for two years' operations.

BENGAL STATE COUNCIL.

CRIMINAL AMENDMENT LAW IS PASSED.

DELHI, March 26th.

The Council of State passed the Bengal Criminal Amendment Law, as recommended by the Viceroy, Earl Reading.

[*REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.*]

NEW YORK CHINATOWN.

"TREATY OF PEACE" BETWEEN RIVAL SECRET SOCIETIES.

NEW YORK, March 26th.

A "treaty of peace" was signed in the presence of the Chinese Consul between the two rival Chinese secret societies which for months past have been engaged in bitter warfare, causing a number of mysterious deaths and open murder of Chinese in various parts of the country.

Twenty policemen supervised the proceedings in the conference room, which resulted in finally terminating hostilities, while 100 policemen outside patrolled the dingy streets of New York's Chinatown.

GOLD EXCHANGE QUESTION.

SPECULATIVE EXAMINATION BY SECRETARY FOR WAR.

LONDON, March 28th.

In what he called "a speculative examination of the gold exchange question," Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Secretary of State for War, speaking at the luncheon of the Constitutional Club, said that the question was "When shall we return to a gold standard?" rather than "Shall we do so?" He emphasised that we could not return to a gold standard until (1) there was enough gold for the world's needs, and (2) Great Britain was in a position to command the use of a share of the total which would be sufficient for Great Britain's requirements.

Sir Laming replying to a question, said that a return to a gold standard did not mean that gold was likely to come into our pockets again quickly. We would be unable to get stability in European currencies until we got the European nations upon an agreed basis, and the Genoa Conference had advised that this must be a gold basis.

MR. CHURCHILL QUESTIONED.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that he was anxious to announce the decision on the question of a gold standard as early as possible, but it was impossible to deal with it before the recess.

Asked whether the uncertainty of the Government's intentions were a deterrent to trade, Mr. Winston Churchill said that he had received some communications from various trade organisations

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POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HELPING EMIGRATION.

FREE PASSES ON RAILWAYS FOR FARMERS.

PEKING, March 26th.

The Cabinet decided to act upon the proposals of the Ministry of Communications to grant free railway passes to all farmers wishing to migrate to Manchuria, Chahar, Suaiyuan and Jehol, in order to encourage immigration into these regions.

"HIGHLY COMMENDABLE."

PEKING CABINET PLEASED WITH LU YUNG HSIANG'S PLANS.

PEKING, March 26th.

To-day's Cabinet meeting decided that the Government should issue a mandate stating that Lu Yung Hsiang's proposals for the abolition of the Tuchun system and the disbandment of troops were highly commendable, but as plans for the military system had not yet been drawn up, the Government desires that Lu Yung Hsiang should take up his post as Tupan of Military Rehabilitation Affairs in Kiangsu without further delay.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

SITUATION IN HONAN.

GREAT CONFUSION IN WEST DISTRICT.

PEKING, March 26th.

Indescribable confusion reigns in West Honan, where the forces of Kan Yu Kun and Liu Chen Hua are strongly opposing Hu Ching Yi and Sun Yueh.

The situation is most obscure, but, apparently, Kan Yu Kun and Liu Chen Hua hold all the south bank of the Lo river to Kunghsien and certain sections of the Lunghai Railway.

Apparently, Hu Ching Yi and Sun Yueh control sections of Chengchow to Kunghsien, Hehshihkwan to Ichinpu, and Mienchih to Kanyintang, while Kan Yu Kun and Liu Chen Hua hold Kunghsien to Hehshihkwan and Ichinpu to Mienchih, including Loyang and from Kuanyintang to Shanchow.

It is reported that Wu Hsin Tien's Seventh Division has arrived at Kuanyintang to assist Liu Chen Hua.

Kan Yu Kun is reported to be at Kuanyintang, and Liu Chen Hua at Shanchow.

Ma Ju Kuei, formerly under Kan Yu Kun, who joined Fan Chung Hsien against Liu Chen Hua, has again transferred his allegiance to Kan Yu Kun.

Kan Yu Kun's troops on the 20th inst. held up a passenger train near Loyang, since when the traffic on the Lunghai Railway, west of Chenchow, has been stopped.

LIU IS RECALLED.

The Government have wired, ordering Liu Chen Hua to gathering his troops and return to Sianfu.

SHANGHAI ARSENAL ECHO.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL BY U.S. COURT DISMISSED.

A motion for a new trial in the case of the Republic of China *v.* the Commercial Express and Storage Co., by the intervenor, Peng Chin Mei, was heard by Judge Purdy at the U. S. Court, Shanghai, on March 23rd. Judgment was given last week for the Republic for the return of war material valued at $40,000.

Mr. M. Reader Harris and Mr. J. R. Jones appeared for plaintiff; Mr. F. J. Schuhl for defendants; and Mr. R. S. Haskell for the intervenor.

In asking for a fresh trial, Mr. Haskell said that in his mind the evidence of S. C. Young was not true.

The Judge here reminded counsel that he (Mr. Haskell) was absent by intent. The witness who said he was S. C. Young, with his head tied up, might have palmed himself off to be S. C. Young. In any case he carried no weight as far as he (Judge Purdy) was concerned.

There was reliable evidence to show that the metal taken from the Arsenal by defendants was the property of China.

In answer to his Honour, Mr. Schuhl said the property which was the subject of the dispute had been returned to the Arsenal.

The Judge—Well, then, Mr. Haskell, you have no standing in this Court. What good does it do you to sue again? This Court has no power to recover the property. It is beyond its jurisdiction.

Mr. Haskell replied that the intervenor and the Kiangnan authorities had been in negotiation with a view to reaching a settlement. His client had said that everything was all right. He would not have to appear. Intervenor had received, Mr. Haskell went on, Tls. 10,000 as part payment for the goods.

The Judge—Your client is lucky then.

Mr. Jones produced sworn statements that no settlement had been arrived at and that to his best knowledge and belief, S. C. Young, the witness, was S. C. Young as mentioned at previous hearings and who had connexion with the transaction. The *directors of the* Engineering and Shipbuilding Co., also entered an affidavit that they had not come to an agreement or had paid Tls. 10,000 to Chen Ping Mei.

Judge Purdy dismissed the motion.

CHINA INDEMNITY BILL.

DISCUSSION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

CHANGE IN LABOUR VIEWS.

Mr. R. McNeill (Under-Secretary, Foreign Affairs) on March 3rd moved the second reading of the China Indemnity (Application) Bill—a measure to make further provision for the application of money paid on account of the China Indemnity. The Bill, the right hon. gentleman said, had been introduced twice previously, but its passage had been delayed by the intervention of General Elections. It was word for word identical with that which emerged from Committee when the Labour Government was in office, and applied the balance of the Boxer indemnity from China for purposes other than those for which it was originally intended, namely, to objects for the benefit of China as well as of Great Britain. He noticed an amendment on the paper asking the House to decline to give the Bill a second reading on the ground that there were not sufficient guarantees that the money would be administered for objects primarily devoted to education purposes. The only effect of carrying the amendment would be that there would be no alteration at all in the existing use of the money. That being so, he suggested that hon. members should reserve their criticism until the Committee stage. There were hon. members who preferred that the use of the money should be tied down to education purposes, but he reminded them that there might, for instance, be medical purposes and other things of that sort not strictly within the meaning of the term "education" for which the money might be used.

Mr. Ponsonby (Lab.-Soc., Sheffield, Brightside) said that in principle this was an agreed Bill, but since the present Government came into power something had happened which had altered very much the views of the Labour party as to the underlying motives now existing in connection with the measure. The late Government proposed to set up a statutory committee, in the choice of which they wanted men of academic distinction who knew China and who could be relied upon to see that education was properly carried out. In selecting Mr. Bertrand Russell and Mr. Lowes Dickinson they thought they had men possessing these qualifications. By reversing the decision of the late Government the present Government had acted in a way personally offensive to the individuals in question and to the public disparagement of the Labour Government. (Opposition cheers.) It was a form of discourtesy which was both uncalled for and unnecessary, and had left the impression that the educational purposes, to which they attached so much importance, were to be subordinated to commercial interests on behalf of which there was no lack of pressure. (Lab.-Soc. cheers.)

Mr. J. Hudson (Lab.-Soc., Huddersfield) moved the rejection of the Bill on the ground that they were not satisfied that there were adequate guarantees for the money to be administered under the measure being devoted primarily to educational purposes.

Mr. H. Dalton (Lab.-Soc., Peckham) seconded the amendment.

Mr. R. McNeill said he had not the slightest hesitation in at once giving the most categorical denial to the suggestion that any alteration made in the personnel of the Committee was due in the smallest degree to any consideration for the political opinions of the persons involved. Instead of there being apparently a sort of sinister conspiracy from a political point of view, the change was made with a sincere desire on the part of the present Government not only to have a good Committee such as the Labour Government nominated, but to have a superlatively good one. All he said was that the present Government were fortunate enough to get gentlemen who they thought better for the purpose in hand than the two who had been mentioned. Everyone knew that Mr. Bertrand Russell had a most brilliant intellect, but the whole point was whether these brilliant gifts were what was wanted for this particular job. The present Government thought they had found someone with much better qualifications. They had substituted for a brilliant philosopher who had spent a year in China—whether he knew a word of Chinese he (Mr. McNeill) was unaware—a gentleman who had spent twenty years in administering education in China, a professor of Chinese in Oxford, and who was the president of one of the most successful universities in China. Surely it was proof of the fact that there was no bias in their mind that the present Government invited two distinguished members of the Labour party to join the Committee, but they were unfortunate not to secure their services.

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Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (Lab.-Soc., Aberavon) said he had no intention of resisting the second reading of the Bill. When he, as Foreign Secretary, was considering the appointment of the Committee he was pressed very hardly to make it a Commercial Committee, and he did not dismiss the idea at once. But on the merits of the question, he came to the conclusion that it was far better that the money should be spent on education. He thought that business was rather excessively represented on the Committee he nominated, but the present Foreign Secretary had tilted the balance so much that he (Mr. MacDonald) had not got the same confidence in the Committee now. There was only one distinguished educationist on it, unless that claim could be made for Dame Adelaide Anderson. The problem Great Britain must face, if it was going to encourage Western education in Eastern countries, was how to bring the spirit that had grown up under Western historical and educational conditions into contact with the East without denationalising the East and creating a sort of intellectual breed of men and women who belonged to no country, no clime, no racial psychology, and no past. Without belittling the qualifications of an educationist who had spent many years in China, he preferred a fresh man for the purposes of this Committee. (Hear, hear.)

The amendment was negatived, and the Bill was read a second time.

pointing out the evils resulting from the prolonged uncertainty. The Government were endeavouring to discharge a difficult duty with sole regard to the general interest, and were exercising the utmost vigilance in studying the situation. He added that it would be in the public interest to leave to the Government free initiative, and Parliament, public and Press could criticise subsequently.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

ATHLETICS FOR GIRLS.

Growing interest in athletics among Chinese girls in Canton is indicated not only in the fact that 200 girls participated in the track, field, and ball games especially scheduled for them in connection with the 9th Canton Athletic Meet, on March 20th-26th, but in the membership campaign of the Chin Woo Athletic Association of Canton which has just closed. The names of women and girls are found in the enrolment, and the prize for having brought in the largest number of new members and the largest amount in membership fees has been awarded to Miss Fung Yim York. The Chin Woo Athletic Association in Canton has now more than 3,000 members.

To bring the many athletic clubs and schools interested in sports together, there is to be organized in Canton a permanent athletic league for the province. Hitherto the provincial meetings have been organized from time to time by special committees who are automatically discharged at the end of each meeting. This has been found unsatisfactory, and the proposed provincial organization will doubtless have general support.

NEW SILK FILIATURES.

Two new silk filatures, each capable of providing work for about 500 girls, have just been opened at Shatao, Namhoi, one of the silk centres of Canton. In Kwangtung Province, there are about 300 filatures in all, each employing about the same number of workers.

THE TAX ON AERATED WATERS.

Mr. Fung Yat Cho, of the Kwong Tak Syndicate, has been awarded the contract for collecting the aerated water tax, upon a guaranteed contribution of $36,000 a year to the Commissariat of Finance in Canton.

THE ATHLETIC MEETING.

The 9th Canton Athletic Meet which was scheduled to take place on March 16th-19th, but was postponed to 20th-24th as a mark of respect to the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen and then had to be extended to the 26th on account of inclement weather, fell far short of the early expectations. The calisthenic drill by 1,000 boys for which long preparation had been made; also the flag drill by a thousand girls, boy scouts and girl guides review and demonstration, and the exhibition of the national art of Chin Woo physical defence were all cancelled in compliance with the military order forbidding exhibitions within the period of public mourning for Dr. Sun. Likewise the baseball games by Japanese, American and Chinese teams who were to compete for the champion cup of South China, could not be held because of the inability of the Japanese team of Shameen and the Chinese baseball team of Hongkong to play in consequence of the change of dates.

TAX ON SUCKING PIGS.

As "an expression of mercy and in accord with public opinion," quoting the words of the Civil Governor of Canton in reply to a petition of some 400 farm women praying for the repeal of the recent levy by the Commissariat of Finance of a tax of from 20 to 60 cents on each sucking pig changing hands, this additional burden on the farmers of Kwangtung has been removed.

LEVY FOR A MEMORIAL.

By an order of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang in Canton, all local officials are to contribute 10 to 50 per cent. of their next month's salary towards the $500,000 memorial fund in honour of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, their late chief. Officials with salaries below $50 may contribute what they consider they can afford, but those receiving above $300 are to come within the 50 per cent. requirement. The Dr. Sun Memorial Association expects to erect a building for a library and reading room and also to erect a statue in his honour. The district of Heungshan, the native district of Dr. Sun, has decided upon the construction of a public park to be named after him.

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"THE FLOWER WOMEN."

LONDON "CHARACTERS" TO GO.

Much has been written and much said about the Gilbert fountain in Piccadilly-circus. Yet henceforth, perhaps for eighteen months, perhaps for ever, it is not the lack of Eros and his "foreign joyousness", which will make Piccadilly-circus in daylight seem a dreary spot. One need not be unreasonably cynical to believe that comparatively few people know that he was there, and that fewer still had done him the justice of studying his beauty and pondering on his influence. Touch him, even reverently and under compulsion, and a cry goes up from the one or two who had been aware of him and will miss him; fortunately there are always one or two who know and love the beauties of London, and start the protest against destruction which is soon swelled to a roar by the voices of a previously indifferent multitude. While Eros is away, there will still be the Piccadilly-circus traffic, which is a spectacle in itself; and at night there will still be the foreign, the Broadway, joyousness of the electric-light advertisements—signs more emphatic, more easily comprehended, and much more difficult to miss than any work of the sculptor's art. Let us clear our minds of cant. Not one in ten thousand of us will find Piccadilly-circus the duller because Eros is no longer there. And yet let the shop windows and the restaurants do their bravest in his absence, Piccadilly-circus by daylight will be but sombre for awhile.

So much has been written and so much said about Eros that none had remembered those who eringed him with colour and splendour. Suddenly it was realized that, the fountain gone, the flower-sellers must go too. And with them goes the light of Piccadilly-circus. Their heaped baskets did more than please the senses. It was much that in the very heart of London one should come upon sights and scents sweet in themselves and all the sweeter for the memories and images they awoke, of the violets of Venice, of the anemones of the Riviera, the daffodils and jonquils of Scilly, the tulips of Holland, the roses of English gardens, the beech-leaves of our autumn woods. They brought, also, to one who had risked his life to reach them, that refreshment and consolation, that reminder and guarantee of peace and quiet yet lingering in the world, which alone could nerve him to proceed on his desperate journey from this central haven through the turmoil. They appealed, too, to the thought no less than to the senses and the feelings, in the firm and friendly guardians of those baskets might be seen at least one clear link between the philanthropic Lord Shaftesbury and the foreign joyousness of the fountain that was put up to his memory. "The Earl," wrote Alfred Gilbert, "had the betterment of the masses at heart, and I know that he thought deeply about the feminine population and their employment." Here, round his fountain, sat signal examples of his interest: ladies whose employment certainly made one think of Omar Khayyam's remark about the vintners, but whose uncertain trade in perishable goods cannot, one imagines, leave much margin for the purchase of those necessary things more precious in the flower-sellers'—households than the stuff they sell. We need not have the intimate knowledge professed by the author of "No. 5 John Street" to believe that the worst offence with which they could be charged is that of running wires through their roses. And one more link with Eros they might justly claim. How many a shy courtship has been happily forwarded by the little bunch of violets or the smart little buttonhole of carnation and maiden-hair timidly passed from one hand to another at the hour when the shops and offices close and the working world moves homeward? It may be that the flower women will return; and no lover of London but will hope for this touch of the familiar among so much that is doomed to be new. But let it not be yet. They will be better off in Trafalgar-square, with running water and a south aspect, as Captain Swinton suggests in a letter which we publish to-day; or in Leicester-square (which must be called by its old name of Leicester Fields for their sake), than they would be with their element-defying backs against a wooden hoarding concealing a hole in the ground.
The Times.

DICKENS PILGRIMS.

LITTLE PETER AT THE TOMB OF HIS GREAT ANCESTOR.

Little Peter Dickens, the great-grandson of Charles Dickens, was one of the first to lay flowers on the great novelist's tomb in Westminster Abbey on February 7th, the 113th anniversary of his birth. For an hour there was a pilgrimage of admirers bearing wreaths for the tomb.

Among the many other lovers of Dickens who sent wreaths were Sir Henry and Lady Dickens and Mrs. Mary Barnard. There was also from an anonymous admirer a gift of money, which was placed in an envelope for the *poor box.*

DRESS AND DANCES.

IRISH BISHOPS' WARNING.

In his Lenten pastoral the Bishop of Derry condemns the semi-nude style of dress in which some pleasure-seekers at dances appear and the absence of the authoritative control which is always necessary when young people meet. The description of these new-fangled frivolities under the name of "dances" fills him, he says, with feelings of disgust.

The Bishop of Dromore in his pastoral says: I feel called upon to warn our young people of both sexes against certain forms of dances that, to our discredit, have been introduced here and there in the diocese. One cannot touch pitch without being defiled.

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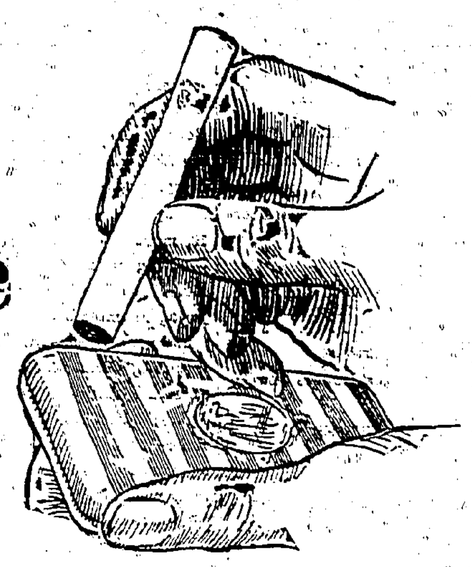

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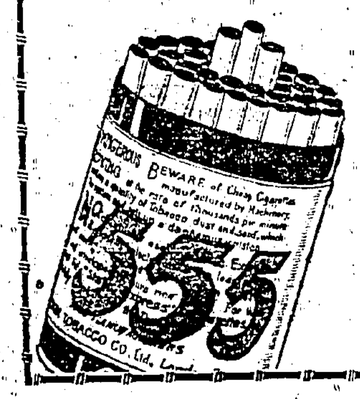

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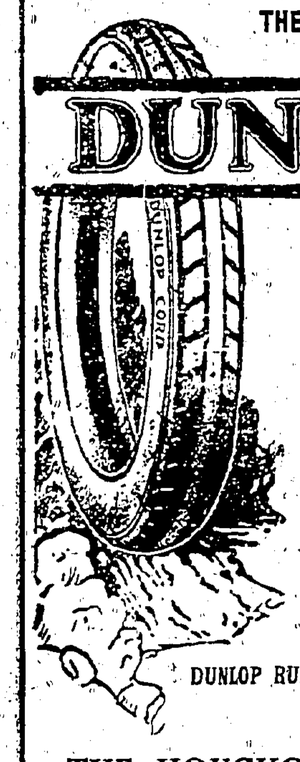

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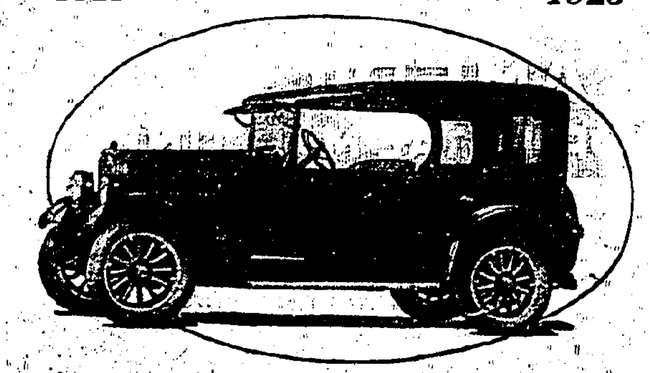

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THE COMMONWEALTH LINE.

AUSTRALIA TO SELL AS RESULT OF HUGE LOSSES.

The Commonwealth Government as briefly announced by cable, a few weeks ago, has decided to invite immediate tenders for the purchase of the Commonwealth Shipping Line as a going concern, subject to the purchaser

1.—Maintaining regular, effective services between Australia and Great Britain and the Continent.

2.—Not increasing freights or passage rates except subject to certain stipulated conditions.

3.—Not entering into arrangement with a shipping ring or combine.

The tender will be subject to acceptance by Parliament.

The result of operations since the line was reconstituted shows a loss in the seven months from September, 1923, to March, 1924, of £245,474, and the estimated loss from September, 1923, to September, 1924, is £480,960, exclusive of depreciation, and despite the fact that the capital value of the line has been written down by over £8,000,000. Mr. Bruce, the Prime Minister of Australia, observed that this unsatisfactory result could not be attributed to over-capitalisation.

The Shipping Board, in making the report to the Government, stated that the present position was due

1.—To high running costs as compared with competing lines.

2.—Labour troubles.

3.—The fact that the line could not run without serious loss while ships on the Australian register were covered by Australian industrial awards.

4.—Unsuitability of the character of the tonnage

Of the thirty-two ships that remain after the sale of twenty-two the board found it more economical to lay up twenty-one, accumulating interest and upkeep charges pending sale, than to place the ships in commission under existing conditions. The board were of opinion that, even with the elimination of old and unsatisfactory tonnage, and the reduction of the fleet to the lowest level, it was impossible to run the line on an effective and profitable basis on the Australian register.

Mr. Bruce remarked that the Government had considered the following alternatives:

1.—To retain the fleet, transfer it to the British register, and man it under British conditions.

2.—The sale of the line unconditionally.

3.—The sale of the line under conditions that would ensure the retention for Australian trade of a guaranteed, regular, and effective service, which would safeguard Australian shippers from the risk of exploitation by a shipping ring or combine.

The first two proposals have been rejected. If a satisfactory arrangement should be arrived at under the third alternative, the primary function for which the Commonwealth Line was created, namely, the protection of the Australian shipper, would be effected, while the Commonwealth taxpayer would be relieved of the financial obligations he was bearing to-day as a result of the serious losses incurred by the line.

FLEET OF OVER 200,000 TONS

WAR-TIME ENTERPRISE.

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THE "LIBERTE" REFLOATED.

The battleship *Liberté*, which went down on September 11th, 1911, in Toulon roads as the result of the explosion of her powder magazines, causing the loss of nearly 400 lives, has at last been refloated and taken into dock, where she will be broken up. The weight of the hull was roughly ten thousand tons, and this great mass of metal was brought to the surface by means of filling with compressed air all the compartments remaining intact and attaching special floats to each side of the vessel.

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1925. [2031

S.S. "YALOU."

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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, LONDON, &c., and also Cargo from COGNAC, HAVRE & LA PALLICE, ex s.s. "COMDT. MAGES," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, 23rd instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 30th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Tuesday, the 31st instant, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 28th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1925. [2020

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 15th prox., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst., at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1925. [2026

INDO-CHINA
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SAILINGS	SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.			
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"LEESANG"	Sunday,	29th Mar.,	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"WOSANG"	Monday,	30th Mar.,	7 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Tuesday,	31st Mar.,	10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIFSHING"	Tuesday,	31st Mar.,	Noon.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Tuesday,	31st Mar.,	3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"TINGSANG"	Thursday,	2nd Apr.,	7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"WAIHING"	Thursday,	2nd Apr.,	7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Saturday,	4th Apr.,	Noon.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Saturday,	4th Apr.,	3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	Sunday,	5th Apr.,	10 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HANGSANG"	Tuesday,	7th Apr.,	10 a.m.
KOBE via AMOY & SHANGHAI	"HOSANG"	Thursday,	9th Apr.,	7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Thursday,	9th Apr.,	3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Thursday,	16th Apr.,	3 p.m.

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"GLENSHANE"	11th Apr.
"GLENAPP"	14th Apr.
"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	30th Apr.
"CARNARVONSHIRE"	14th May

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel.	Leaves H'kong.	Discharges
"GLENIFFER"	...	6th Apr. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg via Oran
"GLENOGLE"	...	15th Apr. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
"GLENGARRY"	...	8th May London, Rotterdam and Hamburg

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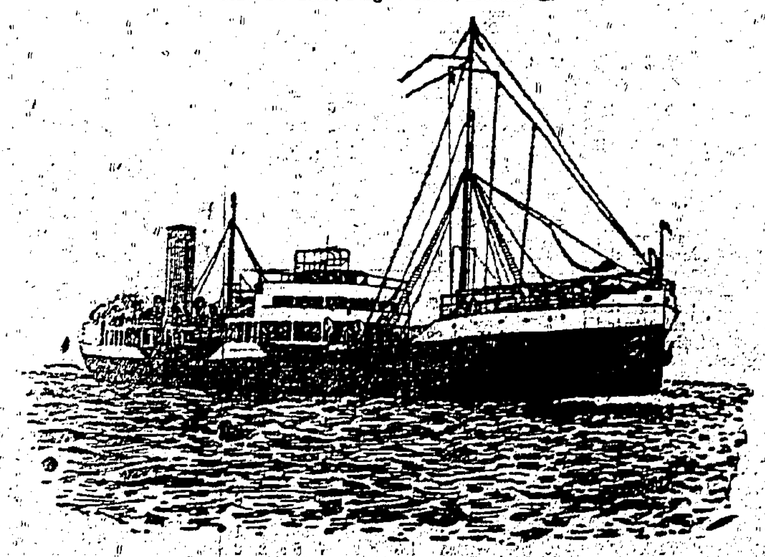

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

March 26th.

C Lopez y Lopez, Spanish str., 4,049 tons, Capt. P. Miranda, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A28.—Botelho Bros.

Kyokuto Maru, Japanese str., 5,711 tons, Capt. C. Mikigi, from Chinwangtao, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B31.—Dodwell & Co.

Nagasaki, Chinese str., 1,189 tons, Capt. O. A. Hoeg, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at Wanchai.

Saxaing, British str., 1,870 tons, Capt. G. D. Mills, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Tonjer, Norwegian str., 1,949 tons, Capt. H. Rasmussen, from Miike, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. A52.—K. Larsen & Co.

Osaka Maru, Japanese str., 4,538 tons, Capt. T. Kusakari, from Kobe, Osaka and Shanghai. The latter port she left on March 24th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—N.Y.K.

March 27th.

Rosmaa, Portuguese str., 454 tons, Capt. J. A. de Lemos, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong wharf.—Kwang O. S.S. Co.

Fenchuang, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C34.

Themius, British str., 4,750 tons, Capt. David Clark, from Liverpool, which port she left on February 21st, with 1,000 tons of general cargo, lying at Holt's wharf.—B. & S.

West Ivan, American str., 3,446 tons, Capt. Minnett, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29.—Struthers & Barry.

CLEARANCES.

March 27th.

Chipsberg, for Canton.
Chunsan, for Shanghai.
Englee, for Chefoo.
Fordo, for Saigon.
Giga Maru, for Hongay.
Haihong, for Swatow.
Hamburg Maru, for Singapore.
Hongta, for Canton.
Kwangtuh, for Amoy.
Kowshing, for Weihaiwei.
Phemius, for Shanghai.
President Wilson, for Shanghai.
Sunning, for Canton.
Twinsang, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Taiwan, for Shanghai.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The Blue Funnel liner *Eurypylus* left Port Said on the 24th inst. for London, Rotterdam and Hamburg.

The m.s.s. *Sumatra* (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dunkirk on March 25th, and is due here on or about May 4th.

The Admiral Oriental liner *President Madison*, which sailed for Manila at noon on March 27th, is due at that port at 8 a.m. on March 29th. She returns from that port at 5 p.m. on March 31st, arriving here at 7 a.m. on April 2nd, and will sail for Victoria and Seattle *viâ* Shanghai and Japan at 5 p.m. on April 3rd.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Saarbrucken* is due to arrive from Europe *viâ* Singapore on March 29th. She will sail for Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama on the same day at 5 p.m.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Agamemnon (Blue Funnel), due April 10th.
Arafura (E. & A.), due March 30th.
Autolycus (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Calchas (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 15th.
Diomed (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 27th.
Empress of Australia (C.P.R.), due April 10th.
Fushimi Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 6th.
Hakozaki Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 20th.
Hector (Blue Funnel), due to-morrow.
Iyo Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.
Menelaus (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 13th.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due April 15th.
President Harrison (Dollar), due April 27th.
President Jackson (Admiral Oriental), due April 6th.
President Monroe (Dollar), due April 13th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Mariners are informed that an impediment to shipping has been caused by the wreck of a junk in the North Channel of the port of Macao, and that the Aga light, which hitherto has marked the entrance will be temporarily substituted by a white light at the masthead of a vessel anchored in its place.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, March 27th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 8 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.86	29.88	29.91
Temperature ...	61	62	59
Humidity ...	98	89	94
Wind Direction...	ENE	N	E
" Force ...	4	1	2
Weather	orlt	o	orlt
Rain	0.22	0.00	2.94

Highest open-air Temperature on 26th ... 65
Lowest open-air Temperature on 27th ... 60

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
New York & Boston via Panama	Lisbon Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 15th Apr.
New York & Boston	Gothic Prince	Brit.	Prince Line	On 1st Apr.
Barcelona, Valencia Antwerp Rotterdam, &c.	Nanking	Swed	Gilman & Co.	About 30th inst.
Boston, New York & Baltimore via Suez	Tydeus	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 28th inst.
Boston, New York & Baltimore via Suez	Tydeus	Brit.	The Bank Line, Limited	On 29th inst.
San Francisco via S'hai & Jap. Ports & H'lu.	President Wilson	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 29th inst, 10 a.m.
San Francisco, &c.	West Ivan	Am.	Struthers & Barry	On 29th inst.
Victoria & Vancouver, B.C. via Shanghai, &c.	Empress Russia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O. S. Ltd.	On 3rd Apr.
Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver via J. Ports.	Iyo Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 3rd Apr., 11 a.m
Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver	Philoctetes	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 2nd Apr.
Seattle & Victoria, via S'hai Kobe & Yokohama	Presidt. Madison	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 3rd Apr.
Marseilles & London	Mantua	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 4th Apr., Noon
Marseilles, &c.	Compiegne	Fren.	Messageries Maritimes	On 29th inst.
Marseilles, &c.	Angers	Fren.	Messageries Maritimes	On 12th Apr.
Marseilles, &c.	Paul Lecat	Fren	Messageries Maritimes	On 28th Apr.
Marseilles, London, Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Kashima Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 8th Apr. 11 a.m
Marseilles, London, R'dam & Hamburg	Trafford Hall	Brit.	The Bank Line, Ltd.	On 14th Apr.
Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	Teneer	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 2nd Apr.
Genoa, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Bremen, &c.	Trier	Ger.	Melchers & Co.	On 4th Apr.
London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	Antolycus	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 30th inst.
London, Rotterdam, Hamburg via Orân	Glenlffer	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd	On 6th Apr
Genoa, Mars., R'dam, Amsterdam, Hamburg & Bremen	Zoona	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Line	On 20th Apr.
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	Asuka Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 31st inst.
Straits & Calcutta	Kumsang	Brit.	Jardines, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 31st inst., 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang & Calcutta	Takuja	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 3rd Apr.
Singapore, & Bombay	Lahore	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 23rd Apr.
Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, &c.	Sicilia	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 2nd Apr., Noon
Singapore & Belawan-Deli	Van Overstraten	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Line	On —
Brindisi, Venice & Trieste	Persia	Ital.	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd Apr.
Shanghai, Chefoo & Newchwang	Changchow	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 28th inst., 4 p.m.
Haiphong via Hoihow & Pakhoi	Chukwa Maru	Jap.	Yamashita Kisen Kaisha	About —
Keelung via Swatow & Amoy	Taikwa Maru	Jap.	Yamashita, Kisen Kaisha	About —
Sandakan	Mansang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 4th Apr., Noon
Australian Ports via Manila	Aki Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 22nd Apr., 11 a.m
Australian Ports	Afarura	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A.L.	On 1st Apr., Noon
Australian Ports	Changsha	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 31st inst., 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Matsuye Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 1st Apr.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hopsang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 31st inst., 10 a.m.
Kobe	Talma	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 29th inst., 6 p.m.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Madeconia	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 3rd Apr.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Sardinia	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 17th Apr.
Yokohama, Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Duchessa D'Aosta	Ital.	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	About 12th Apr.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	Dut.	Java-China-Japan Line	About 9th Apr.
Moji & Kobe	St. Albans	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 4th Apr.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Morea	Brit.	P. & O., B. I. & A. L.	On 1st May
Tientsin via Chefoo	Chipshing	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 31st inst., Noon
Batavia	Tjikarang	Dut.	Java-China-Japan Line	About 3rd Apr.
Haiphong via Hoihow	Lessang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst., 10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Kalgan	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 29th inst., 11 a.m.
Amoy, Swatow & Singapore	Kingyuan	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 31st inst., 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ning	Brit.	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 31st inst., 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haisang	Brit.	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 3rd Apr., 4 p.m.
Manila	President Lincoln	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 1st Apr., 5 p.m.
Manila	Empress Asia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O. S. Ltd.	On 23rd Apr.
Manila	Yuensang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd	On 4th Apr., 3 p.m.
Manila	Presidt. Jackson	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 7th Apr.
Cebu, Zamboanga & Singapore	West Sequana	Brit	Struthers & Barry	On 4th Apr.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

ADDRESS	FROM
Fungkamkee, Ngoi Yue Club, Kalun Street, 4th Floor, Kennedy Town	Shanghai
Moisang Keesan	Kobe
Christensen	Amoy
Gunnyickchoing	Amoy
Wangkuishan, Warrant Officers Club	Weihaiwei
Yuencheong	Shanghai
Cathay Export Import Chow...	Chicago
Fugsam	Shanghai
Yuwochong	Shanghai
1717	Shanghai
Lowe, Palace Hotel, Kowloon	Shanghai
2525	Amoy
Bensabott, c/o Hunts	Chicago
7013	Shanghai
E. A. Seillier, 10, Desvoeux Rd. C.	Kobe
Quanyick	Tegalsapa
545	Shanghai
Unwakchahi	Futsukaichi
5450	Shanghai
Pr.	Shanghai
Yanhonkurn, Chunghing Co.	
Des Voeux Road Central	Shanghai
Celeong, 5, Caine Road ...	Shanghai

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

NUMBER	ADDRESS	FROM
1665/23rd	Alfred Adler, Hongkong Hotel ...	Amsterdam
10911/16th	Burdin	San Francisco

WEATHER REPORT.

March 27th at 1655.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Naha and slightly from Chefoo to Shanghai. It has increased slightly over S. China and the Philippines.

The Ishigaki depression has deepened and moved to the South of Naha.

The anticyclone appears to be spreading eastward.

Strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and fresh monsoon over the northern portion of the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, March 27th 2.61 inch. Total since January 1st, 12.05 inches, against an average of 5.68 inches.

The forcast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, March 28th is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST
Formosa Channel	...N.E. winds, strong.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, occasional rain.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	do.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 28th to April 3rd, 1925.

		High Water.			Low Water.	
Days of Week.	Days of Month.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft.	in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Satur.	28	m 11 28	5	7	m 5 24	2 6
					6 7 a	2 0
Sun.	29	m 0 32	4	9	m 5 53	3 1
		m 11 56	5	8	7 8 a	2 2
Mon.	30	m 1 28	4	2	m 6 20	3 4
		0 25 a	5	7	8 18 a	2 4
Tues.	31	m 2 45	3	8	m 6 44	3 7
		0 57 a	5	6	9 37 a	2 6
Wed.	1	No inferior	High		nor Low	Water.
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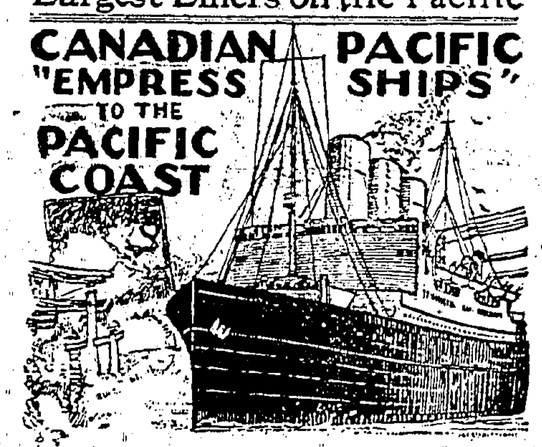

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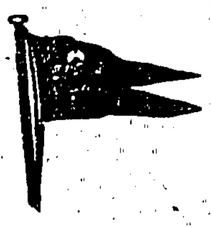

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"KARMALA"	9,128	18th Apr.	Mars., L'don., A'werp & Hull
"NAGPORE"	5,283	22nd Apr.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"LAHORE"	5,232	22rd Apr.	Singapore & Bombay
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	6,834	16th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"NAGOYA"	6,854	26th May	Marseilles & London
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"SICILIA"	6,813	9th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
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"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Marseilles & London
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"MANTUA"	10,902	25th July	Marseilles London
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London & A'werp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London
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"TAKADA"	6,946	3rd Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
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SHANGHAI	"NINGHAI" ...	On 28th Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI, CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	"CHANGCHOW" ...	On 28th Mar., 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN" ...	On 29th Mar., 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING" ...	On 29th Mar., 2 p.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE ...	"CHINHUA" ...	On 30th Mar., Noon.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG" ...	On 30th Mar., 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"KINGYUAN" ...	On 31st Mar., 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LINAN" ...	On 1st Apr., Noon.
HAIPHONG	"CHENAN" ...	On 2nd Apr., 10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TAMING" ...	On 2nd Apr., 11 a.m.
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Shanghai	*Antolycus* ...	28th March
Shanghai	*Linaa*	28th March
Japan and Shanghai	*Compiegne* ...	29th March
Europe via Negapatam (Letters & Papers, London, 26th February) ...	*Saarbrucken* ...	29th March
Japan	*Korea Maru* ...	29th March
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Shanghai	*Suiyang*	30th March
Manila	*Empress of Russia*	31st March
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai...	*Pres. Lincoln* ...	31st March
Japan	*Anyo Maru* ...	31st March
Manila	*Pres. Madison* ...	2nd April
Australia and Manila	*St. Albans* ...	3rd April
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai...	*Empr. of Australia*	10th April
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Monroe* ...	13th April

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 21st April.	*Pres. Wilson* ...	Saturday, 28th, Registration Letters	8.45 A M 9.30 A M
Shanghai...	*Phemius*		10.30 A M
Bangkok...	*Dampta* ...		10.30 A M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa	*Arafa Maru* ...		10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Hamburg Maru* ...		1.00 P M
Bangkok	*Fuh Tai*		3.30 P M.
Shanghai and Japan	*Tatina*		5.00 P M
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th April—Ship sails at 4 p.m. on Sunday, the 2nd March	*Compiegne* ...	Reg. Letters ...	4.15 P M 5.00 P M
Fort Bayard	*Hoi Nam*... ...		5.00 P M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Leesang* ...	Sunday, 29th,	8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa ...	*Hesan Maru* ...		9.00 A M
*Swatow and Bangkok	*Kalgan* ...		9.00 A M
Shanghai and *Japan...	*Saarbrucken* ...		9.00 A M
Hoihow...	*Chinhua*	Monday, 30th,	10.30 A M
*Straits and Calcutta	*Kumsang*		1.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia "only)	*Paul Lecat* ...		2.30 P M
Straits and Egypt	*Antolycus* ...		2.30 P M
Amoy	*Sinkiang* ...		2.30 P M
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...		3.30 P M
*Swatow and Bangkok	*Hopsang* ...	Tuesday, 31st,	8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow... ...	*Haicking* ...		Noon
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island about 14th April ...	*Changsha* ...	Parcels ... Registration Letters	Noon 1.45 P M 2.30 P M
		APRIL Wednesday, 1st,	
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 17th April	*Arafura* ...	Parcels ... Reg. Letters	9.00 A M 9.45 A M 10.30 A M
Shanghai	*Linaa*		10.00 A M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and *EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 20th April—Ship sails at 6 a.m., 3rd April	*Sicilia*	Thursday, 2nd	10.30 A M
	Emp. of Russia	Parcels for Canada only— Registration Letters	4.00 P M 4.15 P M 5.00 P M

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/4⅛
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand ...	1,030
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,130
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand...	54⅛
Credits, at 30 days' sight	55⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer ...	151½
Bank Bills, on demand...	
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer ...	151½
Bank Bills, on demand ...	
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight ...	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight ...	
On Yokohama.—On demand	nom.
On Manila.—On demand	108½
On Singapore.—On demand	97
On Batavia.—On demand ...	134
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand ...	nom.
On Bangkok.—On demand ...	82
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	8.60
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	48
Bar Silver, per oz.	31⅛

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Authorised Capital	$50,000,000
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Hongkong, 21st February, 1925. [27

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [28

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Paid-up Capital	£3,000,000
Reserve Fund	£3,900,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ...	£2,000,000

Foreign Exchange and General Banking Business transacted.

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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, April 8th 1924 [31.

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed	Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up)	Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund	Yen 12,960,000

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Z. YAMAMOTO,
Manager.

Hongkong Branch,
4, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1924.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Head Office:
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorised Capital... ...	£3,000,000
Subscribed Capital	£1,800,000
Paid-up Capital	£1,050,000
Reserve Fund	£1,350,000

Bankers:
The Bank of England
and
Midland Bank, Ltd.

Branches:

Bangkok	Galle	Kuala Lumpur	Rangoon
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J. E. ROSS,
Acting Manager.

2, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, January 22nd, 1925. [30

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, PARIS.

Head Office: 23, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital	Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund	Frs. 58,667,323.54

Branches:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Battambang	Mengtse	Shanghai
Canton	Noumea	Singapore
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Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
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Hanoi	Pondicherry	

Bankers:

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT
Manager.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1924. (1)

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

Head Office:—HONGKONG.

Authorised Capital	$10,000,000
Paid-up Capital	5,000,000
Reserve Fund	1,000,000

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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1925. [34.

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中國銀行

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THUYER FEL,
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Special Reserves	... ,,	28,520,000 ($13,788,214)

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		Vladivostock

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rate to be obtained on application.

C. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1925. [28

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